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## Estimated Cost Of Required China Aid

Washington, Nov. 23.—One view held among well-informed sources here is that it would take US\$500,000,000 United States aid yearly for several years and 10,000 United States officers and men to bolster Chiang Kai-shek's armies to the point where they could recover control of China.

There was no indication in Government quarters whether officials consider this feasible in view of the demand upon United States aid from other parts of the world. Informed sources said it might cause Russia to give the Communists similar aid and thus bring in effect a war between the United States and Soviet Russia.

If the United States decided to extend this help, it would have to have the full agreement of Chiang Kai-shek to assign United States officers in small numbers to all Chinese Nationalist military units for purposes of giving moral encouragement and direction to use equipment.

### OTHERWISE DOOMED

Those who favour this plan claim that Nationalist China is doomed otherwise, although Chiang Kai-shek and some of his divisions may hold out indefinitely around Canton, Chungking, or possibly even from Formosa. They claim that there is no fundamental difference in numbers, troops or equipment between Chiang's forces and the Communist armies, but the latter have a psychological edge and show a zeal for their cause which is lacking on the Nationalist side.

Informed quarters feel the tide might turn in China provided the United States gave the aid mentioned above and helped Nationalist China rally its people into firm belief in what they are fighting for. They said the United States would have to take the initiative with a "positive" instead of "negative" attitude toward Communism. It would have to show the benefits which the people would get from ability to choose without intimidation their own government and to have freedom as individuals and engage in free enterprise. They said people in the United States, and other democracies cherished deeply these values, in contrast to Communist regimentation, but they had made little effort to show the benefits to wavering peoples elsewhere.

If China falls to the Communists, said these sources, the United States could still hold the strategic upper hand in East Asia provided it controlled the seas with a good Navy, maintained its superiority and kept the atom bomb for itself only. They added that bases in Japan, Okinawa and the Philippines would assist in this.—United Press.

## Reds Strike Again At Hsuechow

### Fog Disrupts Transport

London, Nov. 23.—Air, sea, road and rail services in many parts of Britain were disrupted today by the heavy fall of fog which has lain over most of the country since the weekend.

At London Airport—closed last night because of weather conditions—four early planes took off though visibility was at times only 150 yards.

The only traffic in the Thames between London and the sea were official patrol craft and a down-river ferry which was maintained by the use of radar.

In the Mersey, the fog, which had held up incoming shipping for nearly 24 hours, was dispersing today and all ships reached dock.

Long distance express trains from the North of England arrived in London up to three hours late.—Reuter.

## TOJO APPEAL REJECTED

Tokyo, Nov. 23.—General MacArthur today ordered that Hideki Tojo and others be executed in accord with sentences as ordered by the International Military Tribunal.

Gen. MacArthur said, "I therefore direct the commanding general of the Eighth Army to execute the sentences as pronounced by the Tribunal."

General MacArthur ordered that all other sentences be carried out as ordered by the Allied Court of eleven nations. Only two of the 24 defendants in the longest international trial in history escaped the supreme penalty or life imprisonment. They are the onetime Foreign Minister, Shigenori Togo, 20 years and Mamoru Shigemitsu, former Foreign Minister who signed the surrender on the battleship Missouri, three years.

Those condemned to the gallows, besides Tojo, were: Gen. Kenji Doihara, Commander of the Japanese troops in Manchuria at the time of the Mukden incident; Ex-Premier Koko Hirota; Gen. Seishiro Itagaki, onetime Air Minister; Gen. Hitaro Kimura, Chief of Staff of the Kwangtung Army; Gen. Tawse Matsui, Commander of troops at Shanghai; and Lieut. Gen. Akira Muto, who led the Japanese troops in the Philippines.—United Press.

## PRESSURE FROM ALL SIDES

### Tension In Tientsin

Nanking, Nov. 24.—Chinese Communist columns yesterday struck with renewed fury at Hsuechow under a cloud cover, reportedly cutting to pieces an army group covering the Government's East flank.

Pressure mounted on all sides—from the south against the railway to Nanking, from the north, from the east and from the southeast. The airfield five miles east of Hsuechow seemed the objective of the southeast push.

The Government's air force, which saved the day in an earlier phase of the Hsuechow battle last week, was all but paralysed by low clouds. Only a break in the weather could free it for new actions.

The heaviest assault appeared to be coming from the east, where the first red drive split on the rock-like resistance of General Huang Po-tao's Seventh Army group at Nienchuang, 33 miles from Hsuechow.

It was conceded generally in Nanking that Huang's divisions had been almost blasted into extinction.

They received the full shock in that first onslaught two weeks ago. By standing firm then, they lost about half of their effectiveness.

(The Communist Radio announced "complete destruction" of Huang's whole group of 10 divisions. That could be 100,000 men. A broadcast said the "annihilation" was completed on Monday.)

In all, the broadcast added, the Government lost 18 divisions from November 7 to November 22. Both sides usually exaggerate casualties. The Associated Press at San Francisco heard the broadcast.—Associated Press.

### SUHSIEN RETAKEN

Nanking, Nov. 23.—Pro-Government reports said today that the Nationalists recaptured Suhsien, reopening the railway between Hsuechow and Nanking. Suhsien, key railroad 40 miles south of Hsuechow, was occupied by the Communists last week.

Reports said that government columns north and south in a pincer movement linked up in the captured town this morning. There were no details on the fighting or clarification of the situation east of Hsuechow, where the Nationalists earlier were reported to be slowly pushing toward the Nienchuang area seeking to rescue Gen. Huang Po-tao's encircled army.

The Communist radio broadcast from North Shensi claimed "complete destruction" of a Huang Army Group of 10 divisions to end the first stage of the Hsuechow campaign. The broadcast said the Nationalists lost 18 entire divisions in the fighting from November 7th to 22nd and the Reds were now intensifying their offensive.—United Press.

### THE NORTHERN SCENE

Tientsin, Nov. 24.—Tension is gripping Tientsin and Peiping as these important North China cities brace themselves for battle in the face of reports that General Lin Biao's Communist columns are settling down in their advantageous positions in East Hopei and bringing in ammunition.

Convoys of carts loaded with explosives are reported to be pouring through the Great Wall inside which some 80,000 Communist soldiers are believed to be deployed. Food supplies are being collected on the spot in East Hopei from farmers by the Communists, whose supply headquarters has been established at Chienan, directly northward of Luanhsien.

The potential Communist threat to cut the Peiping-Tientsin line in the vicinity of Wuching, about midway between the spiritual capital and the major economic centre are not taken lightly by qualified observers, who feel that such action might easily isolate Peiping, where General Fu Tso-yi's headquarters is at present located.

This might ultimately place Peiping in a position resembling Taiyuan, which has been described by the Chinese press as "an island in a red sea."

Outside Taiyuan city, Marshal Yen Hsi-shan's authority is now

## Illness Causes Anxiety



HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE VI

## King's Leg Trouble Not Blood Clot

### HIS MAJESTY MUST HAVE A PROLONGED REST

London, Nov. 23.—The obstruction of circulation which has caused the King to cancel next year's Royal tour of Australia and New Zealand is the result of an affection of the arteries themselves and not of a blood clot, it was learned tonight.

Sir John Weir, one of the five doctors who last night announced that the King must have a prolonged rest, saw the Royal patient this morning. No bulletin was issued from the Palace.

The King saw his secretaries and attended correspondence. Though no definite plans have been made it is expected that he will spend Christmas at Sandringham, and make his usual Christmas Day broadcast from there.

Court circles today stated that His Majesty is continuing to lead his everyday life in almost every way, but he does not go out because of the need to rest his right leg.

### THE WIRES HUM

Cable lines into London from the Commonwealth and many other parts of the world carried record traffic today as Prime Ministers, press and the public sent messages of sympathy on the King's untimely ill-health.

Both Houses of Parliament today expressed their sympathy and hopes for the King's speedy recovery. Mr. Clement Attlee told the Commons: "The 12 years of his reign have been years of strain and anxiety, and His Majesty's steadfast bearing in all the trials of war and peace has done much to keep the people in good heart and courage. Our warmest sympathy goes out to His Majesty and Her Majesty the Queen."

The Opposition Leader, Mr. Winston Churchill, associated the Conservative Party with the Prime Minister's statement.

The following summary of Reuter cables fills in the picture of regret and sorrow:

Canberra: Australia's first heard the news from their Prime Minister, Mr. Joseph Chifley, who read the Buckingham Palace announcement in a nationwide broadcast, which the people had been warned to expect.

### SIX IN THE SECRET

Mr. Chifley was told some time ago that the King's health was not of the best and warned of a possible cancellation of the tour, but only six people in Australia shared his secret.

Officials were still going ahead with the Royal tour preparations right up to the time of the announcement of the cancellation. Several airfields had been adapted to handle the King's flight, and both the Victoria and New South Wales governments began building Royal trains.

Commonwealth Government expenditure so far was unofficially put at more than A£10,000, and State Governments have all spent additional sums. Estimates of insurance cover against cancellation were between A£100,000 and £200,000, some of it underwritten in London.

Bundling makers, dress shops, and fashion designers faced an end to their anticipated boom.

## DEFENCE OFFICIALS' MEETING

### Deliberations In Washington

Washington, Nov. 23.—An unheralded meeting of the U.S. National Security Council—made up of top officials concerned with defence—was held on Tuesday at the White House.

Coming only 24 hours after President Truman and Secretary of State George Marshall had reviewed foreign policy, the meeting stirred speculation that the situation in China and Europe was under discussion. But no inkling of their deliberations was given out.

The White House described the gathering as the regular fortnightly meeting of the Council, moved from the customary Thursday to Tuesday. Reporters also were told that President Truman, busy with other matters, did not attend.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Marshall, a Council member, attended. Other members of the Council are Secretary of Defence, Forrestal, Army Secretary Royall, Navy Secretary Sullivan, Air Force Secretary Symington, and Arthur M. Hill, Chairman of the National Security resources board.

There have been strong indications that the question of aid to China is getting intensive study. One top administration official estimated it would cost the United States around \$5,000,000,000 to save China from the Communists.—Associated Press.

## Stern Gangites' Prison Escape

Tel-Aviv, Nov. 23.—Fourteen Stern Gang members escaped from a military prison camp near Tel-Aviv today. There were 17 Stern Gang members in the prison, including some women. They were arrested after the assassination of Count Folke Bernadotte, the Palestine Mediator.

Israeli military and civil police went into action to round up those who escaped.

This was the third Stern Gang prison break since Count Bernadotte's assassination. Twenty-six suspected of complicity in the Mediator's murder broke out of their capture in September. Another 100, also detained in connection with the Mediator's death, escaped from Jaffa Prison early in October.

Most of those who escaped were later recaptured or surrendered voluntarily.

The Israeli Supreme Court today heard an application filed by the secretary of the Stern group against the Prime Minister and other Ministers to show reasons why "the Fighters for the Freedom of Israel" are being denied the status of a legal party.—Reuter.

### EDITORIAL

## Mass Migration Danger

TO Hongkong the most immediate concern about the trend of the civil war in China is the prospect of an invasion of evacuees and refugees to a Colony already over-populated and partially homeless. To what degree the threatened invasion materialises depends wholly on the course of the military struggle now being waged around the Yangtze. A decisive defeat of the Communist armies would straight away relieve the local tension, but the loss of Hsuechow, Nanking and Shanghai to the Communists must inevitably involve a southward migration, the effects of which Hongkong could not escape. In part, Government has indicated its preparedness by organising, starting camps, wherein evacuees will live under canvas and makeshift. But these are for transients, i.e., people whose destination lies further afield and who must make temporary use of Hongkong until they can find transport to take them on. The influx of these refugees will assuredly have some effect on the domestic life of the Colony, but they are not expected in numbers sufficient to dislocate the so-called normal routine. The greater danger reposes in the possibility, it might almost be termed, of a wholesale march-in of Chinese from neighbouring Kwangtung should the military situation become so bad that the Nationalists have to abandon Nanking. Like every other part of the world, Hongkong has a population saturation

point which, once exceeded, involves great risks so far as public health, law and order, and economy is concerned. We can probably absorb another 50,000 people without noticing the difference, but if called upon to harbour an additional half a million, the effect might well be disastrous. The possibility of the Colony's population exceeding two million at a time when it can least afford to contain so many people awakens a sense of the potential danger of mass migration in this direction. It is obvious a position can arise where it is necessary to revoke current immigration policy which allows unhindered entry and exit of Chinese and to seal off the frontiers. And because any such action constitutes a radical departure from traditional policy, timing is an all important factor. Government's dilemma would be to decide just when the refugee invasion became a menace to the security and welfare of the Colony. It is an eventually ticklish and delicate, but the possibility of it occurring has to be faced, and a forthright decision taken and carried out no matter how unwelcome and unpopular it may be in some quarters. Hongkong must not be expected to solve for Nationalist China her evacuee problem. There is a limit to which the Colony can absorb immigrants. Government's job appears to be to settle in its own mind just what that limit constitutes in terms of numbers and once it has been reached, close the ever-open door.



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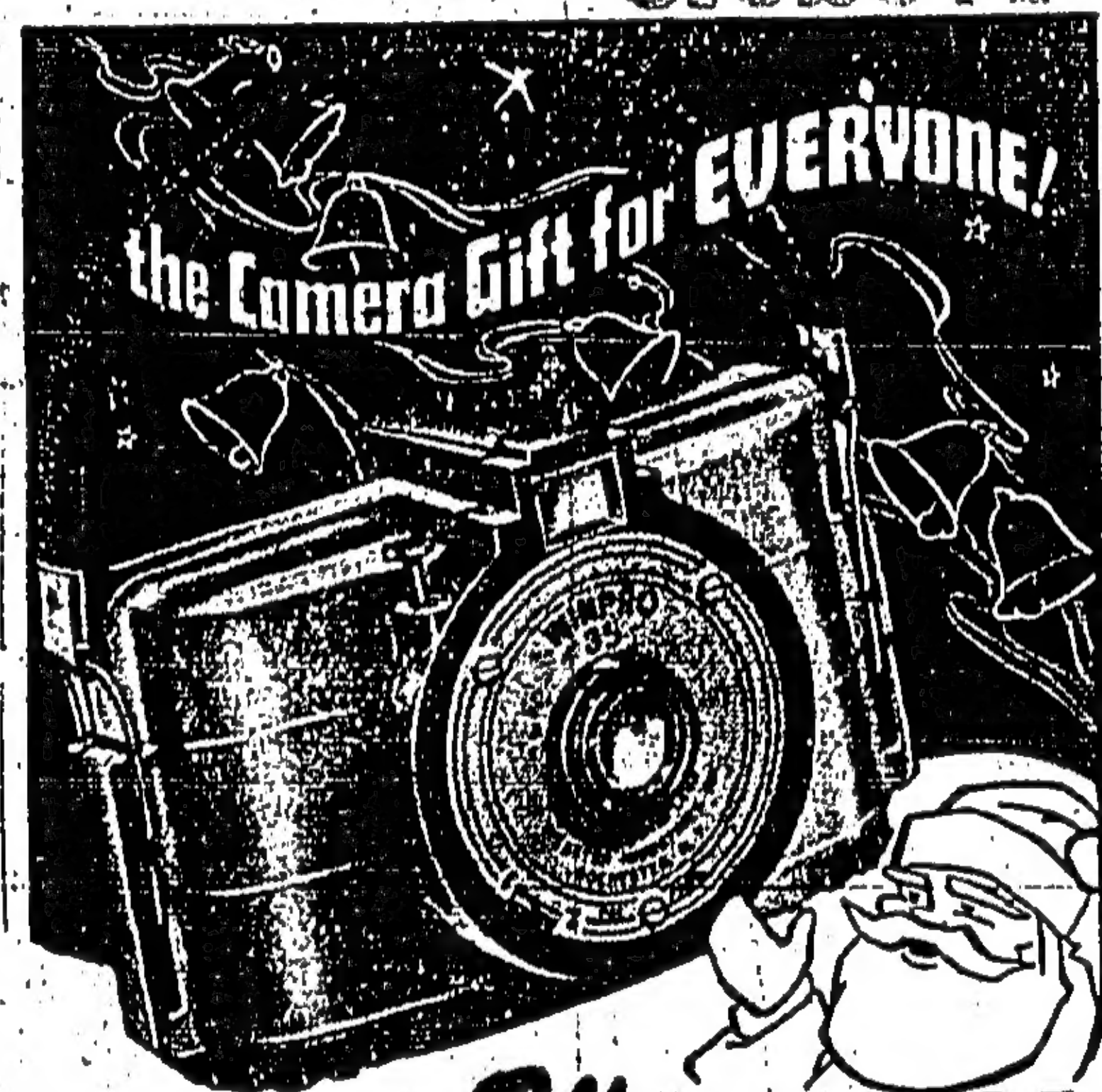
## It's fun to have a Model for a Mother

Small Anthony Ward loves to smile back at his Model Mother. Her lovely smile is just as captivating to him as it is in her successful modelling.

Lovely Joan Sleeman (Mrs. Ward) is teaching her son the simple routine which preserves her own entrancing smile. She knows to-day's soft foods do not provide enough gum exercise, so this is what she is already impressing on young Anthony:

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# WOMANSENSE

By Ida Bailey Allen

## THERE'S NOTHING LIKE THE OLD-FASHIONED CHICKEN PIE

MANY homemakers do not shop around for comparative food values as carefully as for values in other commodities; and this in face of the fact that from one-third to one-half of the average family income is being spent for food. The reason for this lack of care in buying may be that food is bought so often it ceases to be an event; while the purchase of a dress, a set of dishes, a chair is so occasional it demands special consideration.

But if you really want to beat the food bill, it is absolutely necessary to shop for comparative values before purchasing.

For today's dinner we will have Chicken Pie as the main dish.

### Dinner

Best Salad Vinaigrette  
Old Time Chicken Pie  
Pineushon Crust  
Whipped Potato Green Peas  
Moulded Peach Cream  
Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)

### Old-Fashioned Chicken Pie

Purchase a good fat hen. Singe, remove pin feathers, clean, scrub with mild water, and rinse thoroughly. Then drain. Brown slowly all over in a little of the excess chicken fat. Then dust with a mixture of 1 1/2 tsp. salt, 1/2 tsp. pepper and 1/2 tsp. powdered ginger.

Put 1 c. diced celery or shredded celery leaves in a deep saucepan, together with 1 peeled sliced onion and 1/2 tsp. thyme. Put in the chicken, add 2 qt. boiling water; cover and simmer until the bird is almost done. Allow 1 hr. for a young plump hen, 2 hrs. if it looks mature. (Or pressure cook 35 mins. at 15 lb. pressure, using only 3 c. water.)

Remove the skin and put it through a food chopper. Take the chicken from the bones, but keep it in serving-size pieces. Add to the chicken liquid together with the good-sized carrots and 4 sliced, barely cooked, and add, if desired, 1 c. celery or peas, also barely cooked. Bring to a boil; thicken the gravy with 6 tsp. flour, stirred smooth in 1/3 c. cold water, or use 1/2 c. sweet or sour cream. Transfer boiling hot to a 2 qt. shallow casserole or baking dish. Cover with pineushon biscuit crust, and bake 30 mins. in a hot oven, 400 F.

**Pineushon Biscuit Crust:** Make 1 home-made recipe for baking powder biscuit, or use biscuit mix. Transfer the dough to a board lightly dusted with flour. Pat to 1/2 in. thickness; cut into small rounds. Place close together, almost touching, on the boiling hot pie mixture; and be sure it's boiling hot. Brush the tops of the biscuits with a little milk, and bake as previously described.

### Whipped Potato

Smart restaurants everywhere are featuring "whipped potato." Just how does this differ from old-fashioned mashed potato? There is no comparison, for it is fluffy and completely free of lumps. First the cooked potato is "mashed" by putting through a potato ricer or puree sieve, directly into the required quantity of milk and butter or margarine, heated together in a large double-boiler top. It is seasoned, then beaten with a wire whisk or electric mixer until light and fluffy. As this cools the potato, place it over hot water, cover and steam about five minutes. A real treat in good eating.

### Moulded Peach Cream

Make up 1 package prepared orange gelatin according to directions, with this exception: Use 1/4 c. boiling water and 1/4 c. juice drained from canned peaches. Stir in 1 tsp. lemon juice, and 1 tsp. sugar. Chill until beginning to thicken, about 30 mins. Then stir in 1 c. coarsely-chopped peaches and 1/2 c. heavy cream, or undiluted evaporated milk, whipped very stiff. Transfer to a mould, or to custard cups. Chill until firm, from 2 to 3 hr. Unmould, and serve with extra chilled sliced peaches in syrup.

### Tomorrow's Dinner

Grapefruit Juice  
Whole Wheat Crackers  
Baked Fish with Topping  
Caper Sauce  
Escalloped Tomatoes  
Carrots with Potato  
Prune Meringue Pie  
Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)

All Measurements Are Level. Recipes Serve Four

### Baked Fish with Topping

Buy a 2-lb. fish (any kind). Cut off the head and tail. Split down the belly, and remove the back bone and rib bone, or ask the fish dealer to bone the fish for you. Rinse and drain the fish; place skin side down in an oiled baking dish and dust with salt and pepper. Moontime, make a plain "dry" bread stuffing containing plenty of onions, and top the fish with it, not more than 1/2 inch thick. Cover

with a second pan, and bake in a hot oven, 400 to 425 F. for 20 mins. Uncover the last 5 mins. so the topping will brown. Serve with parsley sauce.

**Topping for Fish:** Fry 1 c. fine-shredded sliced onions in 1/4 c. margarine or vegetable fat until they turn colour. Add 1 tsp. poultry seasoning, 1 beaten egg, and 3 c. fine soft bread crumbs. (Do not use dry bread crumbs.) Add 1/2 tsp. salt, 1/2 tsp. pepper and 1/2 c. fine-minced parsley. Mix thoroughly and use. If too dry, add a little extra melted fat.

### Carrots with Potato

Boil or pressure cook 6 peeled, medium-sized white potatoes, and 4 peeled medium-sized carrots; put through a potato ricer. Add 2 tsp. butter or margarine, 1/2 tsp. salt, 1/2 tsp. pepper and mix well. Beat in 1/4 c. hot milk. Reheat a moment over direct heat or longer in a double-boiler.

### Prune Meringue Pie

First make the filling: To do this, wash 1 lb. tender prunes. Remove the pits, and let stand 1/2 hr. in 1 pt. water. Then add the grated rind of 1/2 lemon, 1/2 c. sugar and 1/2 tsp. powdered ginger or cinnamon. Simmer until the prunes are tender and the juice has been reduced to 1 c. Then add 1 tsp. lemon juice, and stir in 2 tsp. quick cooking tapioca.

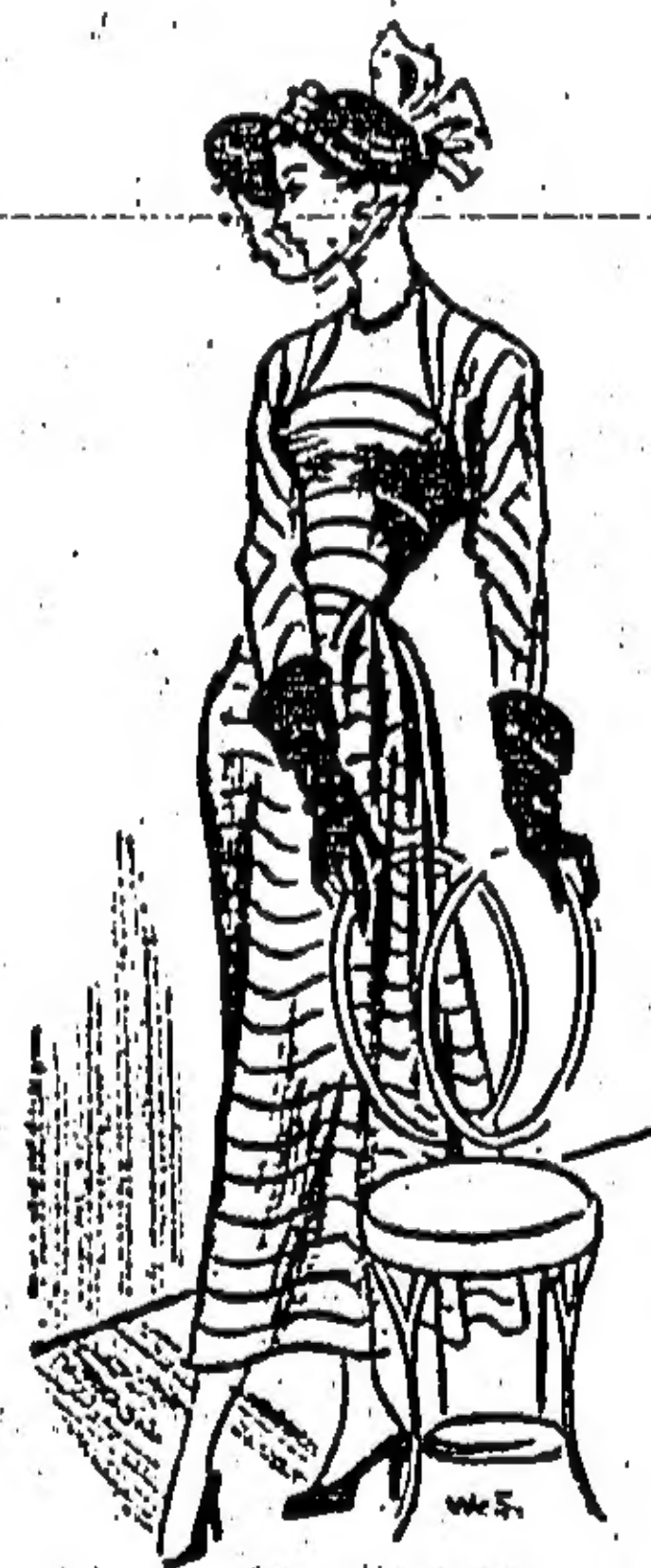
Meantime line a deep 9 in. pie plate with piecrust. Dust with 1 tsp. flour. Spoon in the prune mixture. Bake 25 mins. in a moderate oven, 375 F. Then cover with a meringue made by beating 2 egg whites light with 2 tsp. sugar, 1/4 tsp. cream of tartar and 1/2 tsp. lemon juice. Continue baking at 325 F. about 12 mins., or until the meringue is light brown.

If desired, a 1 egg-white meringue may be used. In this case there will not be enough to cover the whole top of the pie, so make a border of it around the edge of the plate next to the crust, and bake as directed.

### Trick Of The Chef

To make a gelatin dessert unmould very easily, first rinse the mould with cold water, then dust it with a little granulated sugar before filling.

## Ideal For Afternoon



By VERA WINSTON

HERE is a dress with a really elegant air, and like all true sartorial elegance, it owes all to fabric and handling, rather than to extraneous touches. It is of cocoon brown striped silk crepe. The scooped out neckline is smartly square, making a nice setting for a favourite necklace. The bodice is smartly moulded; the skirt is full in front, and is gathered towards the sides and back. This is a beautiful afternoon dress for any woman, ideal for teas, receptions and other such occasions.

## Novelty Woollens



By VERA WINSTON

WOOL IS in actual fact a shining success, for now there are beautiful woollens rich with the glint of metallic yarn and also beautiful iridescent woollens. Brown and green iridescent striped wool is used for this tunic jacket. Here it is teamed up with a brown wool skirt and brown jersey blouse. The bat-wing sleeves taper to a draw-in waist which is held taut by the set-in belt. The jacket has brown ball buttons. It could be worn with other skirts and dresses too!

## Spare Those Spankings, Psychiatrist Advises

CHICAGO—A parent who spanks his child has a spanking coming himself, is the opinion of Dr. Rudolf Dreikurs, a Chicago psychiatrist.

Childhood whippings, the doctor said, are undesirable because they leave a life-time mark upon the victim's character.

If a "servile, limorous" adult is at the same time "cringing and crafty," chances are he got a paddling now and then as a child, the doctor explained.

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Better Late Than Never

By Fred Harman



## Repert & Mr. Punch—51



Now that Mr. Punch's boat is safely taken care of, Sailor Sam loses no further time, but burlesques Repert and Algy into his sidekick and rushes them back to Nutwood. "Your mother may be terribly anxious," he cries. However, Mr. Bear is smiling when she meets him. "I was sure you'd be safe with Sam, so I didn't worry," she says. "Come and tell me what mischief you've been up to!" "Right," he cries. "Mummy," laughs Repert, "but when you've heard it you mayn't be so sure!"  
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## Winter Care Of Your Neck



Regular applications of a good neck and contour cream, helps to keep throat tissues firm.

By HELEN FOLLETT

WISE is the woman who takes out cosmetic insurance against a neck that may suddenly go tweedy and crinkled especially in winter. Prevention of many good looks sorrows is easy; curing them after they have once become established may be a longdrawn out task. Practically all necks are neglected; all the good things of the toilet table are given to the complexion.

The woman who carries herself regally, keeps her spinal column extended, her head on the level, is not likely to develop doddle strings because the muscles of the neck are allowed to sag. Let the chin droop, the chest flatten, shoulders fall forward and neck fibres drop into folds which, in course of time, bring furrows or necklace lines.

If you suspect that the pillar that holds up your head is bent on self-destruction, plan to give five minutes of a restorative treatment every night. It will perk up in a hurry.

Use soap and warm water freely, rinse with warm water, dry with gentle pats of a soft towel. Apply a heavy massage cream or, if you would save on the beauty budget, use toilet lanoline. Sweep up and down with flattened fingers. Lower the head, pass the fingers from the nape line forward to the chin tip. Startling along the line of the collar bones, do circles with first and second fingers, going higher and higher until you are pressing along the jaw line. You may have to tilt the head back slightly as the flesh will be smooth, but try to keep the muscles of the neck relaxed. Massage is not effective on muscles that are tight and tense.

Let the cream remain on, apply an ice cold compress—use a heavy wash cloth for this purpose—cover with dry towel and go to bed. The compress will hasten up the blood streams which, in turn, will have a vitalising effect upon the tissues.

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

## Who Invented Fences, Walls?

—Mr. Punch Knew And He Told The Shadows—

By MAX TRELL

"DO you know anything about inventions, Mr. Punch?" Knarf, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, asked his old friend.

"Or anything about inventors?" added Knarf's sister Hanid.

Mr. Punch, who was sitting in the corner of the playroom, with his legs folded under him like a Turk, was busy sewing a patch on one of his coats. However, he stopped sewing and looked up at the shadow-children. "Inventions? Inventors? Why, yes, I think I know something about them. Robert Fulton invented the steamboat. Thomas Edison invented the electric light."

"Those aren't the inventions or inventors we want to know about," said Knarf.

"No?" said Mr. Punch, in surprise. "Which inventions and inventors do you want to know about? I'm pretty sure I know something about them all."

"Well," said Knarf, "Who invented shoes?"

"I'mm..." said Mr. Punch.

"And who invented houses?" asked Hanid.

"Why, I declare! I'm afraid I don't know."

"And who invented stairs?" said Knarf.

"Upstairs and downstairs?"

**Knives and Forks**

"And who invented bread?" said Hanid.

"And who invented knives and forks, and spoons, and salt and pepper shakers, and hats, and coats, and sidewalks and candles?"

Poor Mr. Punch scratched his head.

"And who invented eye-glasses, and cups, and hammocks, and screwdrivers?" asked Knarf.

"And who invented bricks and chimneys?" asked Hanid, "and marbles, and tops? Who invented dolls?"

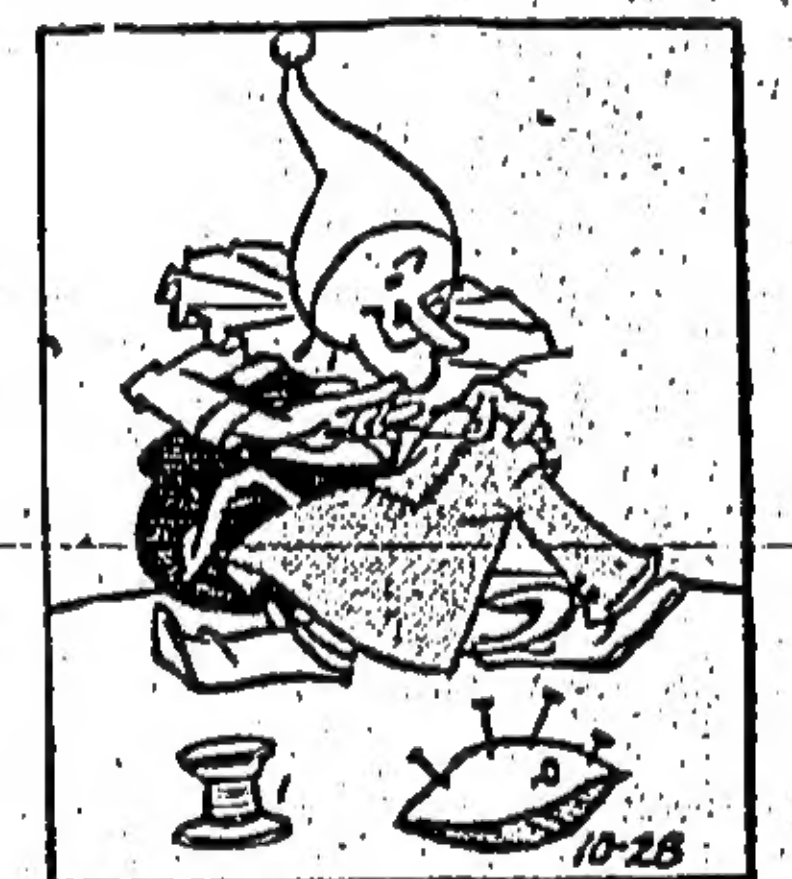
"Who invented umbrellas?" said Knarf.

"Who invented gardens?" said Hanid.

"Who invented pencils and gates, and walls?"

"Dear me," said Mr. Punch. "You do think of a lot of things."

"Who invented chocolate cake?" said Hanid.



Mr. Punch was busy mending.

"Who invented books?" asked Hanid.

"Who invented pencils and pens and ink? Who invented writing paper?"

**Needle and Thread**

"Who invented ships?" asked Hanid.

"Who invented string, and pennies, and candles? Who invented thread and needles?"

Mr. Punch sighed. But then, all at once, his face broke into a smile.

"My goodness," he exclaimed. "I do know who invented all those things."

Knarf and Hanid shouted together: "Who?"

"He hasn't got a name," said Mr. Punch, "but he's the same one who wrote the Mother Goose poems. He's the same one who invented all the words we speak, and all the words we read, and all the words we write."

"But who is he? Hanid and Knarf begged.

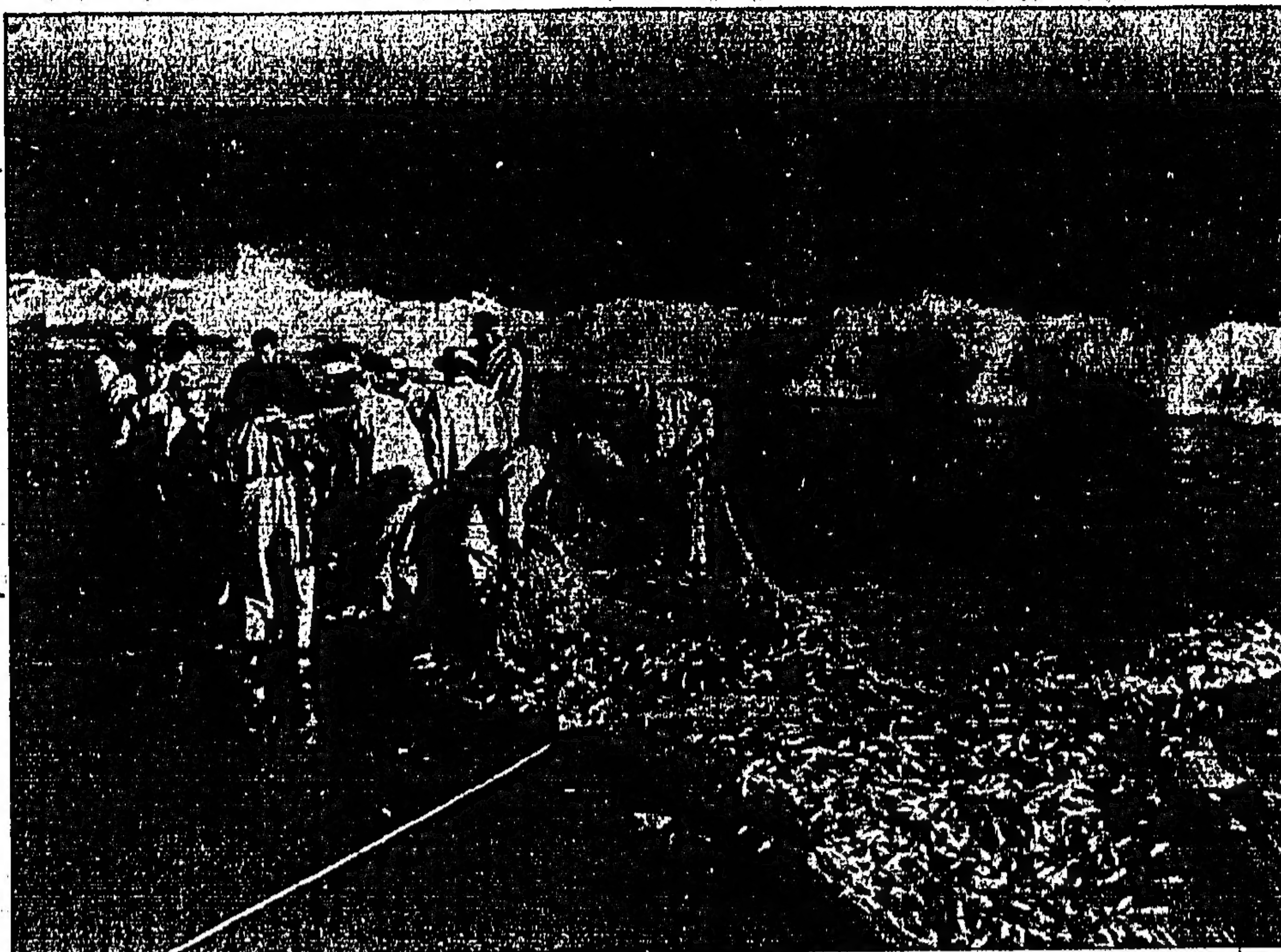
"Everybody," said Mr. Punch. "Everybody all over the world, a long, long time ago."



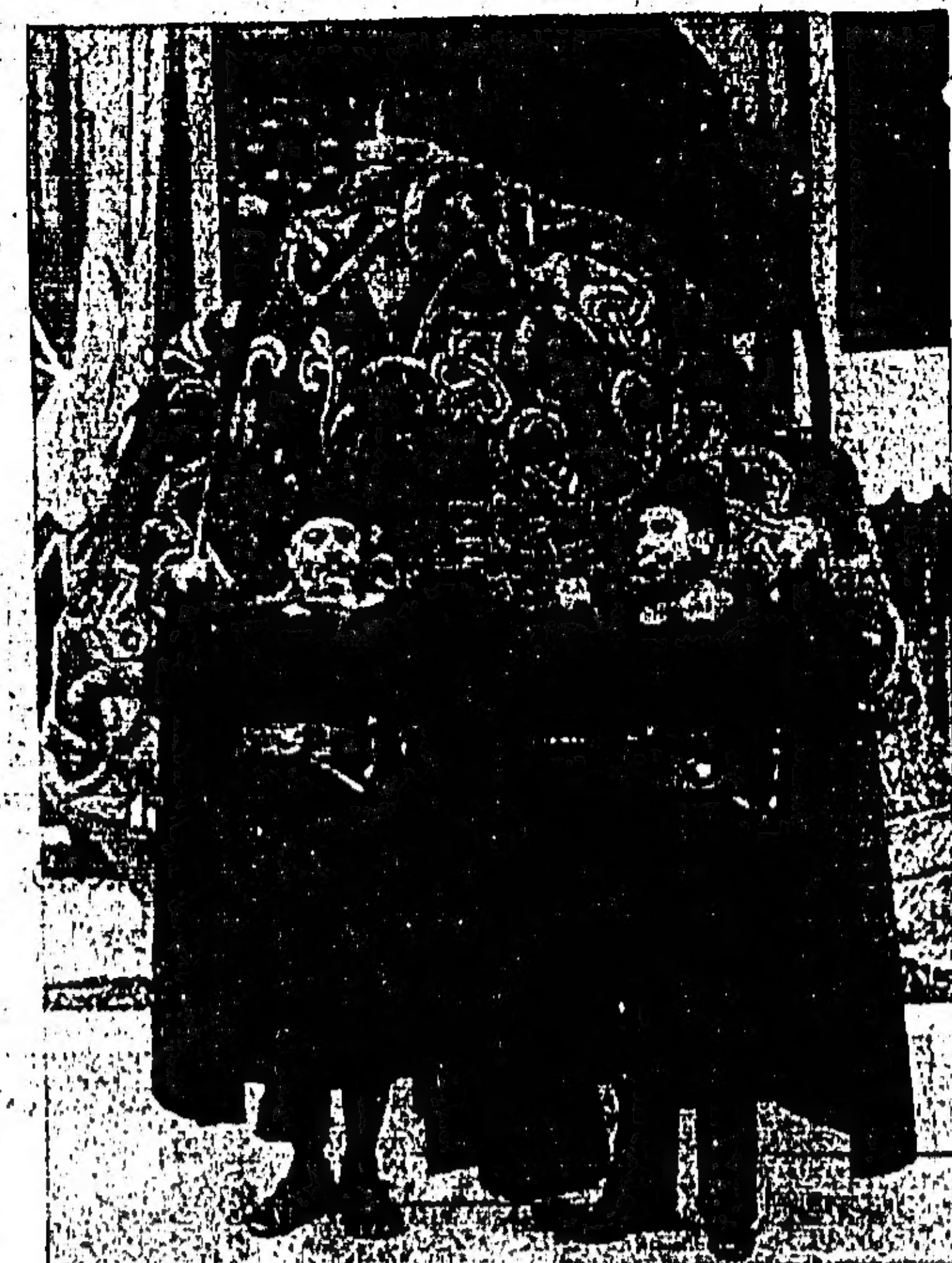
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**BUSY LITTLE BEES**—Jack Eydeier, custodian of the bees, removes a comb from this hive on the terrace of Rockefeller Plaza in New York. L. H. Hartman, president of an advertising firm, keeps the bees as a hobby, and yearly receives a yield of over 100 pounds of honey. The bees fly to Central Park to gather nectar and pollen.



**MULLET TIME**—It's mullet time in North Carolina, and here the co-operative seine of the Salter Pathers near Morehead City haul in a catch from the surf. The net is community owned, and all men share alike for their cold, wet work. Salter Pather is an old community in which every inhabitant is a fisherman.



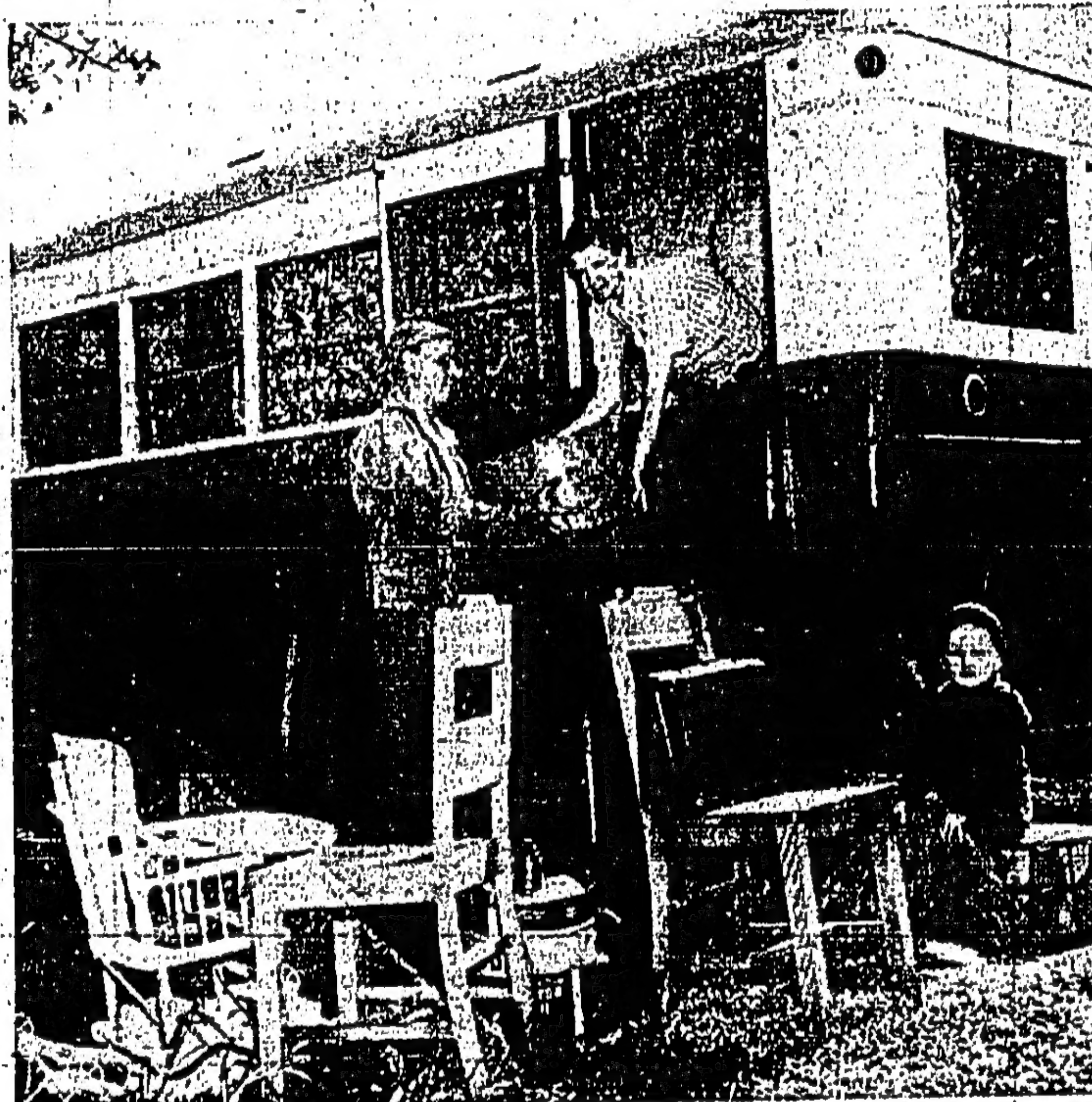
**FANCY TRUMPETERS**—Viking-robed Hjalmer Koefoed, left, and Villy Hansen blow on 3,000-year-old trumpets in London. They will greet Denmark's royal family on its arrival to open the Danish exhibition of art at the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. In the background, at the museum entrance, can be seen the Jelling Stone, finest runic stone in Scandinavia.



**PART OF THE ACT**—Gold Tony, three-year-old Palomino stallion, settles for a bottle of soda pop in a Chicago night club. The talented steed has quite a repertoire of tricks, including roping a calf, simulating drunkenness and covering his trainer, Pat Henry, with a blanket.



**HOME AGAIN**—Screen and stage star Martha Raye poses for a new picture attired in this attractive, flimsy costume. Just back in the U.S. from a successful tour of Europe, Martha is currently working on a new production.



**"BE IT EVER SO HUMBLE"**—When his home in East Meadow, New York, was sold out from under him, Alvin Behr took his family and moved into this old bus, which he purchased for \$350. A radio and television mechanic, Behr intends to take his family on a nation-wide hunt in search of a spot to settle down.



**UNKNOWN SOLDIER**—Henry Morgenthau, former Secretary of the U.S. Treasury and now chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, visits the Arc de Triomphe in Paris to pay respects to tomb of the unknown soldier. Morgenthau told newsmen that Israel needs \$200,000,000 for future development.

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**REBUILDING A CITY**—Voluntary workers toil amid the ruins of Lidice, Czechoslovakia. The Nazis levelled the village in reprisal for attacks on German soldiers, and the entire population was executed. New buildings now under erection appear in the background.

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**LeMay: Air Strategist****"I'll Go Out And Show You"**

By DOUGLAS LARSEN

WHENEVER the U.S. Air Force finds itself with a particularly difficult assignment on its hands, chunky cigar-smoking Lieutenant General Curtis E. LeMay usually gets the call.

In terms of the present world crisis, leadership of the USAF's Strategic Air Command is a tough assignment. That is why LeMay, who is 42 this November, has just been given that job.

LeMay pulled his first big job for the Air Force during the early bombing of Europe. It was he who decided that, notwithstanding, a bomber couldn't vary from its course during the last few minutes of a bombing run, if a target was to be bombed effectively. He discovered this by personally flying missions over target areas with his plane full of flak holes.

His order putting this into effect won him the nickname "Old Iron-pants." But nicknames have never bothered him. And no mission on which he has ever sent his men was ever too tough for him. He flew the famous raid on the Messerschmitt plant in Germany in 1943, among many others; sometimes he flew as pilot, co-pilot, navigator or observer.

**MAID FIRST RAID**

WHEN the U.S. Air Force decided to try out shuttle bombing over Europe, LeMay got the job. From a base in England he made the first such raid, against Regensburg in Germany, landing in Africa.

While LeMay was busy with the Nazis, the B-29, America's aerial hope against Japan, was being put into operation from bases in China. LeMay was sent out to run the show.

But the way to really hit Japan with the Superforts was from the Marianas Islands. Late in 1944, that operation was started. A few months later, LeMay moved again and began running the B-29s from Salpina, Tinian and Guam. Some-what infrequent, high-altitude attacks became almost every-day, lower level affairs.

It was the combat version of the tactics he set up to beat the Berlin blockade this year, when "iron-pants" set up an "Air Force Coal and Feed Service" and worked his planes, his fliers and his ground crews on a rush-hour schedule, just as he had worked all hands against the Japs.

When the time came for the Air Force to drop the first atomic bomb, LeMay was put in executive charge of the operation as Chief of Staff of the then U.S. Army Strategic Air Forces. After the war it was LeMay who had the job of getting the vital, long-range research programme of the U.S. Air Force under way.

**DEAD-PAN EXPRESSION**

NOBODY can accuse LeMay of ever having talked himself into any of the promotions which have made him one of the youngest officers of his rank in the U.S. Air Force. He generally wears a dead-pan expression and seldom opens his mouth unless he has something important to say.

One of his staff once said: "LeMay talks in such a low voice, we all have bent ears."

At a party in England a lady who had been watching him enjoy the affair in silence asked him if he ever said anything. LeMay replied: "Lady, if you talk all the time, you'll never learn anything."

He has a kind of ironic humour. On a raid over Germany one day when LeMay was pilot, a rear gunner shouted into the intercom that his guns wouldn't work. In a flat voice LeMay replied: "That's going to make you look pretty silly when the 100's start coming in, isn't it?"

Again when LeMay returned to his base in Guam one day he found his aide excitedly clutching new orders, giving the General a promotion. The aide said: "What'll I do first about these, sir?"

"Be sure you file them properly," was LeMay's laconic reply.

**FAVOURITE LINE**

LEMay's reputation among the men who have served under him is as a hard taskmaster. But he has always tempered his orders with a human quality which increased their effectiveness. His favourite last line after any briefing was: "Now if you don't understand this operation, say so now; and I'll go out and show you how to do it myself."

This statement was backed up by the fact, of course, that he did just that, many times.

When he first got a group of fliers to England he was cautioning them about getting into tavern brawls and fights. "But if you do get into a fight," he added as an afterthought, "be damn sure you don't get licked."

LeMay was born in Columbus, Ohio, on November 15, 1906. He studied engineering at Ohio State University and was commissioned in the U.S. Air Force after graduation from Kelly Field, Texas. He served as a flight instructor for several years. But his specialty was always precision navigation. That is the basis for his great interest in long-range bombing.

I CAN now give the full facts on Mr Attlee's state of health.

They are reassuring. His duodenal ulcer is responding to treatment and his general health is good.

In fact, Mr Attlee is a wiry fellow. His blood pressure is normal and his lungs and heart are in fine fettle for a man of his age.

Dermatitis of the feet continues to give him some trouble, and he still has to hobble around in slippers.

But he hobbles around quite effectively. Except, of course, in the afternoon when he goes to bed.

I predict that he will be fit and ready for full duties by Christmas. My good news about Mr Attlee should be welcomed by the Tories. For Mr Attlee is by way of being a Tory favourite, and he is clearly the darling of the Liberals.

His popularity with his own followers is not so pronounced.

For polls of public opinion show that while Tories and Liberals are more satisfied with Mr Attlee than with the Government, Socialists are more satisfied with the Government than with the Prime Minister.

And meanwhile he will continue awhile as titular leader of the Socialists. But the real power has passed to Sir Stafford Cripps.

**Sitting on the Fence**

by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

"WELL, cor sufferin' arch-bishops," said the Sweep, "if that don't take the Untley and Palmer."

"What do?" I asked.

"Why, cor stuff me with dried eggs," said the Sweep, "accordin' to the papers these are little old athletes. I'll ave to prove their sex at the next Olympics. Cor luvaduck, it makes you think, don't it?"

"It certainly do."

"For all we know," said the Sweep, "some of these are little old American Negroes may soon be doin' female impersonations and jumpin' over urchins with the ladies. Cor stone, me blimey."

"Stone me, too," I said.

"It's ard enough for white men to beat these are little old Negroes at the best of times," said the Sweep, "but if they're goin' to git into the ladies' races I reckon America might as well ave the next Olympics to itself."

"Ere, ere," I said.

"All the same, you don't want to start narkin' because we aven't won everything."

"I aint narkin'."

"We ought to reckon ourselves lucky these are little old Olympics went off without anybody gittin' shot."

"Too true."

"Because if some little old Turk ad shot some little old Bolivian, they'd ave boycotted British goods in the Argentine."

"They would an' all."

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"There's been enough trouble already with these are little old South American boxers who seem to ave been gittin' their stomachs in an uproar about nothin'."

"That's right."

"Too many steaks I expect," said the Sweep.

"Quite likely," I said.

"It's just the same with dogs," said the Sweep. "Give em too much meat and they start yappin' and snappin'."

"Too true."

"Though you can't expect foreigners to behave like us."

"You certainly can't."

"It wouldn't be natural."

"No."

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"So don't let's ear any more grumblin' from you. Ave another for the road and make your miserable life appy."

"Thanks," I said.

"After all," said the Sweep, "it's all of compensations. There's another Test match and another good idm to look forward to over the week-end."

"So there is."

"The skin off your nose," said the Sweep.

"The skin off your nose."

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**Letter from an aunt**

My dear Boy,

FLORIE came round to tea (last of the fish spread) and told us that the Russians have a scheme for hypnotising whole nations by radio and invading countries when everybody is asleep except deaf people and those who don't listen to the radio. She also said that all Russian food, like tinned crab, is full of germs that give you botulism as part of a plan to poison everybody and make the world safe for Communism.

Naturally this upset hungry Emily, who had just taken a large mouthful of fish spread sandwich—she had to go upstairs to lie down while Florie finished her sandwiches, and has refused ever since to listen to anything on the radio, not even Stuart Hibberd reading the news, in case he turns out to be a hypnotist. When I told her she would be better off hypnotised with us, she was facing the Russians practically alone, she went to bed for two days with tea and aspirin.

Your Uncle Fred is in a perpetual state of rage about Berlin and has spent many days and nights in town, partly because he can get more whisky at his London club and partly to badger the War Office to let him and his old Home Guard cronies fight a food convoy through the Russian lines.

He thinks the airborne supply method nothing but another Munich in disguise and believes that if the Russians, who are so fond of shooting people, were shot up themselves they would come to their senses. Naturally he thinks of himself as commander of the first convoy.

You will be pleased to hear that poor darling Forgy has become a father—at least we think he's the father of six puppies born to the little dog next door. Nothing else could explain his interest in the event or his pride in the achievement, which after all, is not bad. He was so excited on the day they were born that he bit Emily three times before breakfast.

The whilst club intellectuals are at daggers drawn again with the Impoverished Gentlemen's True Blue Conservative Association. This time because some American nudist said there would be no more war if everybody went about naked as there would be no uniforms to show which side was which.

Of course, the intellectuals were in favour and the True Blues against. The True Blues said it was disgusting, and the intellectuals said it was better to be disgusting than dead. Then a True Blue shouted that as a naked game of whist with the present intellectuals would be worse than death, she would rather have war than nudism even if it meant the end of everything.

The gardener, who has been asking us for money to buy copies of Karl Marx for Eton boys, says he won't bother to fatten a cockerel for Christmas as there won't be a Christmas—for us, anyway.

Your loving,  
AUNT MAUD.

**Party conversation**

BECAUSE the Russians have ruined my holiday I spend my evenings sticking pins into Molotov's photograph.

"I expect Freud has a word for that somewhere."

"My husband says if all Communists were psychically analysed and freed of their hatreds and frustration they'd probably all join the Salvation Army, which, if anything, might be worse."

"Margaret's father's sent a telegram of congratulation to Smertenko for organising a boycott of Scotch whisky in America."

"So far as weather is concerned this must be the unluckiest Government ever in office. What with floods, droughts, the worst winter in 80 years, and now rain spoiling their best harvest, they must begin to wonder if Conservatives have a pull in heaven."

"Of course the Russians will have a WONDERFUL harvest."

"Margaret's father thinks Smertenko ought to be decorated, with an O.B.E. so that he would be encouraged to stop Americans drinking Scotch whisky altogether."

"As English weather seems to run in seven-year cycles, we shan't have another good summer till 1954, by which time nobody will have any money, so it won't matter."

"I don't know how women can expect to be popular when they're always creating shortages of men's things. When shampoos were unobtainable they bought up shaving soap. Now cigarettes are short they're buying up pipe tobacco."

"Margaret's father says if we gave Smertenko a title and he could change that awful name to the Earl of Drambuie he would stop all exports of whisky to America, and we could drink it all ourselves."

**Mr Attlee's health: The facts**

It is he whom the Tories must meet at the next election.

And how will the Tories face up to Sir Stafford when the battle is joined?

Some of them will be in dug-outs.

For there has been nothing like the Tory retreat from unsafe constituencies since the Israelis left Egypt.

Enter Mr Geoffrey Lloyd, one time Petroleum Secretary in the wartime Coalition Government, and nowadays the man to whom Birmingham Tories look for guidance. For he is President of the Birmingham Conservative Association, which controls 13 Birmingham seats.

What sort of guidance does Mr Lloyd offer to his rank and file? The guidance of defeatism.

Mr Lloyd does not propose to fight against the Ladywood Division of Birmingham which he lost to the Socialists in 1945.

He has moved himself, bag, baggage, and Industrial Charter, to the neighbouring Tory division of Moseley.

Moseley, under the redistribution of seats, becomes part of the new King's Norton Division. But it should be a safe Tory seat.

How our Birmingham leader has fallen. He has fallen to security.

He has failed to safety first. And he has dispirited his followers.

Throughout the country, other Tory candidates follow Mr Lloyd's example.

It is musical chairs with the difference that the people who play this game are looking for soft seats.

To the runaway Tories I commend a song from Gay's opera "Polly":

"Despair leads to battle, no courage so great. They must conquer or die who've no retreat."

No retreat.

They must conquer or die who've no retreat.

Title of the tune is "We've cheated the parson."

While the Tories run, the Socialists wrangle. For the redistribution of constituencies means that there are too many Socialist M.P.s chasing too few seats.

So some of them will be left standing after the next election.

I GIVE you the names of a politician to watch. It is that of Mr Morgan Phillips, 45-year-old secretary of the Socialist Party.

Mr Phillips is a man of great ability. He uses his ability mainly on behalf of Mr Morgan Phillips.

And not without success. In the last four years he has built himself into an unassailable position in Transport House.

As the party secretary he gets £1,200 a year.

But Mr Phillips, it is said, has higher ambitions. He considers that he would be more useful to the Socialist Party if he were in Parliament, and more useful still if he were in the Cabinet.

I do not blame Mr Phillips if he has an eye on a Cabinet post.

What are the qualifications of Mr Phillips for office?

He is a first-class political organiser. Some say he is a better election organiser than Mr Herbert Morrison.

So you may be sure Mr Morrison will oppose the ambitions of Mr Phillips.

For the entry into the Cabinet of Mr Morgan Phillips would mean the end of the era of Mr Herbert Morrison.

When Mr Phillips makes his bid for office he will not lack support. He has the personal friendship of Mr Jim Griffiths, the present chairman of the Socialist Party, and of Mr Sam Watson, who will be the party's next chairman.

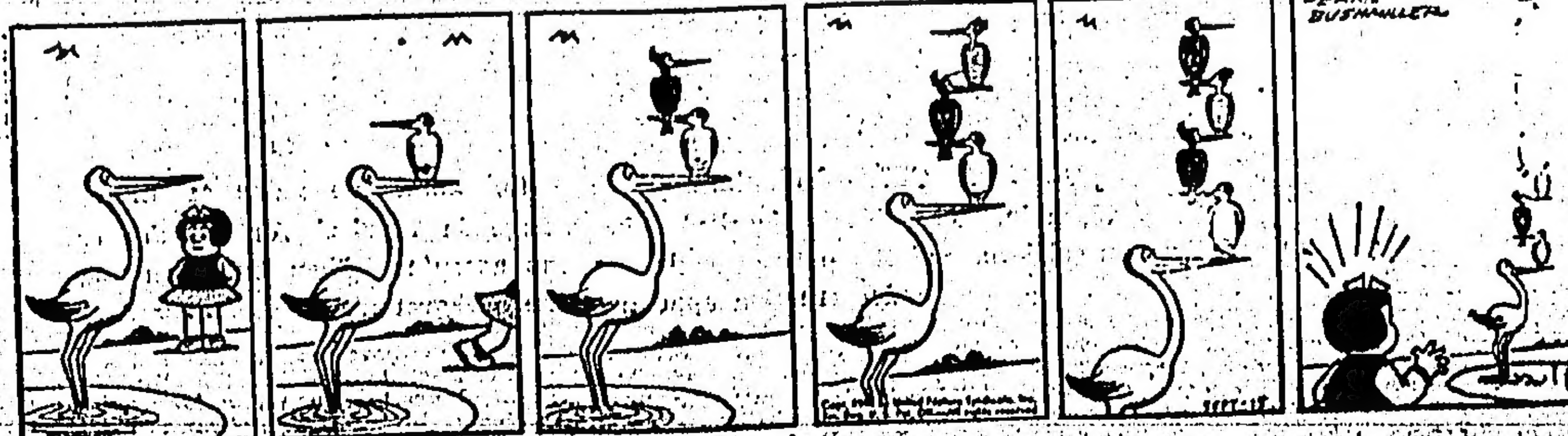
These are good strategic friendships for an ambitious man to have.

—Cross Bencher

**NANCY**

Where a Yawn Would Be Upsetting

By Ernie Bushmiller









PETER DITTON SAYS

## British Soccer Is On The Down-Grade

*Is English professional football on the down-grade? There can only be one answer to such a query. The standard of league football in England has never been so low as it is today.*

One gets an entirely false view of football standards if one judges purely by the achievements of England in the international arena. Here, having regard to all the difficulties, standards have been well maintained—but by a very limited number of players.

Whereas before the war England could, had occasion demanded, have fielded three or four teams of equal calibre, today the selectors have no enviable task in choosing a representative side with adequate reserves.

The war has hit British football. It is true to say there is not a team in any one of the four main divisions that is not at least three or four players short of the standard that would have been necessary in 1939. The old players—and when I say old players I mean men of 35 years and above—are still among the outstanding exponents of every team.

It is going to take at least five more years to put English soccer back to the dominating position it held in the pre-war era. In the meantime the challenge of the continental countries, none of whom has ever won on English soil, will become more and more severe.

### CONTINENTAL TECHNIQUE

We saw in the Olympic Games this summer how basically sound most continental sides are in their technique. Indeed, England since the war has rarely seen such superb forward play as that demonstrated by the Swedes (who won the Olympic soccer tournament), the Danes, Yugoslavs, and Italians. And let it not be forgotten that all these players rank as amateurs in their own country.

The question obviously arises, therefore, whether England can retain her record of invincibility against foreign challengers. Frankly, I have doubts. Indeed, it is highly probable that the first continental country that comes to England and produces opportunistic forwards of the calibre of our Lawtons, Manions, Mortensons and alike, will destroy England's proud record. There is, of course, a fundamental difference between English and continental types of soccer. Both adopt the same approach methods but in front of goal act in opposite manners. English players are prepared to take a shot from anywhere within thirty or forty yards of goal. Continental forwards try to walk the ball into the net. The first pays frequent dividends, the second is not so fruitful.

Can England's old guard with their famous shooting ability resist the continental challenge until reinforcements can be recruited from the young professional and amateur ranks?

### HAPPY-GO-LUCKY

Obviously in a country so seismically and where professional football has become a mammoth commercial enterprise, there cannot be indefinite retrogression. But the finding of players in the future cannot be the happy-go-lucky business it often was in the pre-war days.

One very good reason for this is that the apprenticeship of all young players has to be broken nowadays by the claims of military service. These boys, it is true, get ample opportunity of playing the game. But in the services, as every football manager in Britain would confirm, comes "the rub".

The boys often develop bad football habits, and when they eventually return to their club they, as often as not, fail to live up to the high promise they showed before going to the forces.

The training of young players nowadays begins when they come out of the forces. They are then twenty or twenty-one years of age. Fresh, that was an age when a player could be described as fully matured. Today it is only the nursery stage.

## Coming Events In The Sports World

### TODAY

Badminton—Men's "B" Division League; University v. Kowloon Tong "A"; St. John's v. VRC "A"; Kowloon Dock v. KCC; R.F.C. v. Chung Wah; Kowloon Tong "B" v. St. Teresa's "B"; Chinese YMCA v. St. John's "B"; VRC "B" v. Revere. (All matches start at 7 p.m.).  
Rugger—HKFC Intra-Club Match: Wanderers v. Wayfarers, 6.15 p.m. at Happy Valley.  
Tennis—Colonial Open Ladies' Doubles Final: Miss Dawn Kent & Mrs. A. Sheehan v. Mrs. Standaloff & Mrs. Linton, at Ladies' Recreation Club, 4 p.m.  
LRC Championships: C. W. L. Way & Mrs. Stroobach v. J. L. Barnes & Miss Lambert; Baker (Handicap Mixed Doubles), 4.15 p.m.; R. Segal & Mrs. Slagter v. Mr. and Mrs. Bahurath.

### TOMORROW

Chess—"Palms" Novelty Tournament, Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.  
Extra Race Meeting, close for 11th Extra Race Meeting.  
Meeting—References: Supreme Council, HKFA office, 5.30 p.m.  
Tennis—Colonial Open Championships: Mixed Doubles Final—Tsu Yung-ping & Miss Dawn Kent v. Tsu Wal-ping & Mrs. Linton, at Ladies' Recreation Club, 4.30 p.m.  
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Nevertheless British soccer is building up after coming to a standstill during the war. The age when a player develops has jumped a couple of years compared with 1939, but the encouraging fact is that young players are being trained to follow in the footsteps of the old invincibles.

The next five years will be a trying time, but by 1953 England should be able to field two and perhaps three teams comparable with pre-war standards.

## On Sunday Football

London, Nov. 23.—Through-out Britain every Sunday, more than 100,000 sportsmen play soccer in well-organised amateur leagues—but without the official Football Association recognition they have been seeking for many years.

Most Sunday sportsmen regard the rule which prevents their affiliation to the Football Association as archaic and one which should be re-considered immediately.

The Secretary of the Football Association admits that there is "a problem which has to be faced." Nevertheless, although sportsmen have considerable support, many organisations, such as the powerful Lord's Day Observance Society, actively campaign against Sunday sports and the situation will not change overnight.

Almost every large factory, office and club has its Sunday football team and the demand for football pitches for use on Sundays greatly exceeds the supply.

### UNIQUE RECORD

The hurly-burly and fierce competition of modern Football League soccer is so intense that few players manage to go through a whole season without missing a match, yet there is one player who has played 227 consecutive matches for his club.

He is Ray Middleton, Chesterfield's goalkeeper, who has enjoyed a longer sequence without missing a match than any other footballer. Although Middleton has played over 500 times for Chesterfield, he is another player well on his heels.

Sam Bartlett, the red-headed goalkeeper of Charlton, who has not been absent from any game since 1931, is another player who has played 500 consecutive matches for his club.

### LUCKLESS BOBBY BARKER

These players' immunity from injury is the more remarkable in view of their style, for they are two of the most daring and spectacular goalkeepers in the country.

On the other side of the ledger is the case of Bobby Barker, who broke his collar bone when playing for West Bromwich reserves, and last April he was one of the footballers struck by lightning during the Army Cup final at Aldershot when two players were killed.

Recently he gained his place in West Bromwich's league side, but this was short-lived for in the match against Cardiff he broke his leg in the first half and will be out of the game once again for a considerable time.

Fate in the manner of illness and injury has been unkind this season to Laurie Scott, the Arsenal and England right back. During the summer, while he was in Norway, Scott underwent an operation for appendicitis and missed the first month's League programme on his return to England.

Now comes the news that he has entered a London hospital for the removal of a cartilage in the knee he injured during the international match against Wales at Villa Park last week. He is not expected to play again for five or six weeks.

England, and Arsenal will miss him, for Scott is one of the fastest backs in the game, with remarkable powers of recovery which compensate for his small size. He tackles like a ferret and is able to save himself a lot of unnecessary running about by thoughtful positional play.—Reuter.

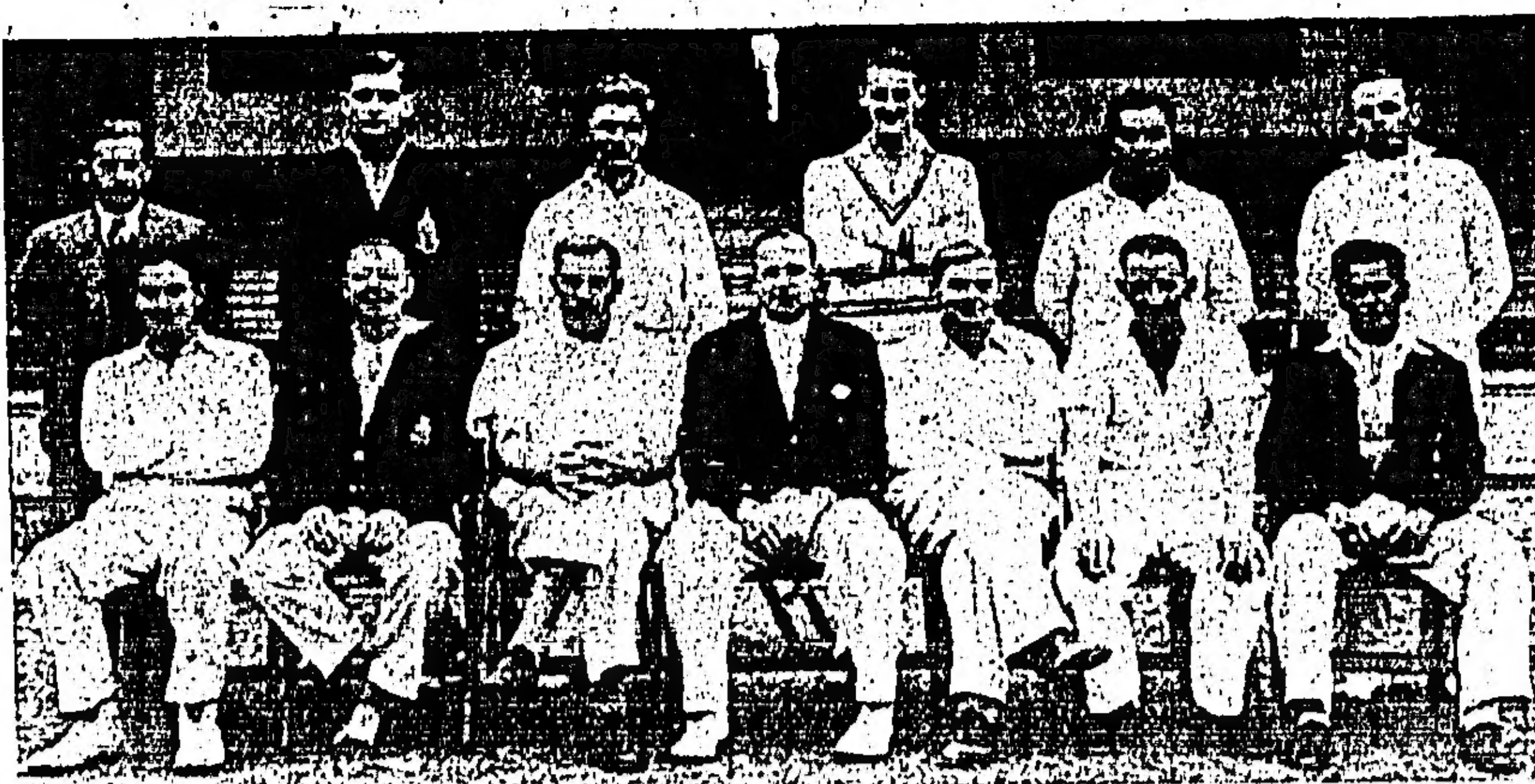
## Harvard Will Not Be Outdone

Cambridge, Massachusetts, Nov. 24.—Frank Jones, 26, negro from Greensboro, North Carolina, on Tuesday elected student manager of the Harvard football team for 1949.

Jones, first of his race ever to be named to the post, succeeds Dwight K. McClure, a Japanese.

Howie Houston, lineman, and veteran of three years' service with the United States Air Force, was elected captain for next year's Associated Press.

## HONGKONG'S CRICKET XI



Hongkong's Cricket XI, winners over Malaya Combined Services by 236 runs in the game over last week-end. Seated from left to right—N. R. Oliver, L. F. Stokes, H. Owen Hughes, T. A. Pearce (Capt.), L. D. Kilbee, F. Howarth, G. N. Gosano. Standing left to right—R. Leigh (umpire), D. H. Leach (12th man), D. Banton, E. N. Gambrill, Dr E. L. Gosano and D. M. Call.—Golden Studio Photograph.

### Of Jack Dempsey & Two Men

## \$5,000,000 FROM GETTING INVOLVED IN A BARROOM FIGHT

By CORNELIUS RYAN

New York.—If the storytellers are to be believed, Jack Dempsey spent much of his youth in saloons. And of two men who met Dempsey in a barroom, one made five million dollars and the other made nothing.

Contrary to all the rules of how to get ahead in the world, the man who got into a saloon fight was the man who made the money; the other gave Dempsey money and a helping hand, and missed riches. These are the stories:

"In 1917 I stopped off in a saloon at Oakland, Cal., just after coming back from a tour of Australia," said Jack Kearns. "I met Vic Hansen, a middleweight, and we got into an argument over why I didn't take him to Australia. Finally I smacked him on the chin and knocked him down."

### SWINGING A CHAIR

"Then two of his friends came on from behind and I am down. Just then, a rough blackhaired guy comes running across the room, swinging a chair at the guys who have me down."

"A couple seconds me and the guy with the chair are fighting a roomful of toughies—but we cleaned the joint out, then ran just ahead of the police."

"Outside, I asked the guy his name. He says he's Jack Dempsey and he is a fighter."

"So we went over to my place and cleaned up and went out to another bar. We met some other fighters and managers and they tell me Dempsey isn't bad."

"So I ask Dempsey about his future and he says his contract with Windy Winder has run out and he has no money."

"Then he has to go to Seattle because of trouble with his wife. Next he went to Salt Lake City, and wrote me for money and asked me to get him a fight?"

"Finally I brought Jack back to Oakland and got Mary Farrell to help change Dempsey's style from upright to bob-and-weave. And he never lost a fight as long as I had him."

"We split up about eleven million dollars in purses and other money and we blew most of it."

### THE Sadder STORY

Billy McCorney, scholarly manager and promoter, tells the sadder story.

"I was promoting in Kansas City and one noonday, after a tough night, I was trying to hold a drink when someone slapped me on the back hard enough to break me in half."

"He was one of the toughest-looking guys I ever saw. 'You're McCorney the promoter, that right?' he demanded. 'Yes,' I said."

"Who are you and what do you weigh?" I asked.

"He said he was Jack Dempsey and this was short-lived for in the match against Cardiff he broke his leg in the first half and will be out of the game once again for a considerable time."

Fate in the manner of illness and injury has been unkind this season to Laurie Scott, the Arsenal and England right back. During the summer, while he was in Norway, Scott underwent an operation for appendicitis and missed the first month's League programme on his return to England.

Now comes the news that he has entered a London hospital for the removal of a cartilage in the knee he injured during the international match against Wales at Villa Park last week. He is not expected to play again for five or six weeks.

England, and Arsenal will miss him, for Scott is one of the fastest backs in the game, with remarkable powers of recovery which compensate for his small size. He tackles like a ferret and is able to save himself a lot of unnecessary running about by thoughtful positional play.—Reuter.

### Italians To Race In Argenting

Rome, Nov. 23.—Three of Italy's leading motor racing drivers, Luigi Villorelli, Nino Farina and Alberto Ascari, will leave for Argentina early next month to take part in races there.

The Italians will compete in four big South American events—the Buenos Aires Grand Prix on January 8, the Mar del Plata Grand Prix on January 22, the Rosario Grand Prix on February 6 and the International Grande Prix at Buenos Aires on February 19.

Villorelli and Ascari will drive new model Maseratis with double superchargers, which they have already raced in the Italian Grand Prix and the Monza Grand Prix.

Farina will drive a Ferrari, also with a double supercharger. It is thought likely that other Italian drivers will also compete in these South American events.—Reuter.

## American Fight Fans Are Beginning To Dictate

New York.—American boxing fans, much more discriminating in their tastes than during wartime, are forcing the various champions to prove themselves against the best challengers rather than against hand-picked opponents.

Thus, new middleweight champion Marcel Cerdan will have to fight Ray Robinson if he wishes to retain the respect of the US fans.

Marcel is accepted as a good champion, for he fought well in beating Tony Zale, but all the veteran writers and fans agreed that the Zale who fought Cerdan was a far cry from the Zale who whipped Rocky Graziano twice in three fights.

### NO GREAT VICTORY

Any capable middleweight could have beaten Zale the night he met Cerdan, and he is doubtful if ever again he will regain his championship form, for he's 34 years old and past his peak.

If Zale decides against retirement and fulfils the contract for a return match with Cerdan, the fight probably will lose money, and the customers feel that Zale is washed up, and Cerdan sure to win. If Tony retires, Cerdan will have to box Robinson if he wants to draw a good gate.

Robinson, present welterweight champion, no longer can get down to 147 pounds. He had to forfeit \$5,000 when he failed even to get down to 150 pounds for a bout with Kid Gavilan.

The Robby-Gavilan bout was a preliminary to a lightweight title bout between Ike Williams and Jesse Flores, but the doubleheader drew only about 20,000 fans to the 70,000-capacity Yankee Stadium.

Again it was a case of discriminating fans refusing to pay money to view what promised to be uneven fights.

### GRAZIANO CONSIDERED

Rocky Graziano, former 160-pound champ, also is mentioned as possible title opponent for Cerdan.

"Most people figure that a fast, clever boxer like Cerdan would make slow and clumsy Graziano look silly, but that might not happen at all," said Dan Morgan, 76-year-old manager who once had three world champions among the 30 top fighters in his stable.

"If I were handling Rocky I'd tell him to bore in, duck his head and brace his neck, take jabs or chops on the forehead or top of the head, and then slug away."

"Graziano can hit hard enough to floor Jordan, and he has to do it and land the punch. And if he should lose, he'll be a free man."

### Hockey Fixtures

The following are the Hongkong Hockey Association fixtures for Sunday:

Club de Revere v. Cable & Wireless, King's Park, 10 a.m. (Umpires, P. F. Xavier, Makian Sinah).  
H.K. Police v. Army, Sookumpoo, 10 a.m. (Umpires, Yeo Sies Gater, U. S. Dillon).  
Hutch H.C. v. Navy, King's Park R.N.C. (1), 10 a.m. (Umpires, Capt. H. J. Chinnery, R. C. University, King's Park R.N.C. (2), 10 a.m. (Umpires, A. P. Quest, S. B. C. O. Shaw).  
H.A. Police v. M.C.B. C. F. O. Shaw, 10.30 a.m. (Umpires, D. T. Smith, E. R. A. Miller).  
Civil Service v. Xhalla, postponed until December 10.

All umpires are requested to confirm by phone (35391 or 317) before 5 p.m. on Friday. Secretaries are requested to ensure prompt attendance of their teams. A maximum of ten minutes delay will be allowed. Will umpires please notify results of matches by phone as soon as possible after the match.

### Rugger Result

London, Nov. 23.—Oxford University beat Gloucester by 11 points to six in a Rugby Union match played today.—Reuter.

## First Far East Open Golf Tournament

Golfers coming from Bangkok, Singapore, Shanghai and Australia will form the bulk of the foreign entries for the forthcoming Far East open golf championship of the Wack Wack Golf and Country Club.

The big meet, which will be staged in lieu of the annual Philippine Open, is set for Jan. 20, 21 and 22 at the Wack Wack links.

Among the prospective foreign entries are four ranking golfers of the St. Andrew's and St. George's Societies, a participant of prewar P.I. Open golf tournaments, Yuka Asanovich, secretary of the Royal Duit Golf Club of Bangkok who is at present in Manila, has signified the intention of the Bangkok club to send four representatives including Kanrai to Manila for the first Far East Open.

Members of the Wack Wack executive committee, who agreed on the general programme of the forthcoming tournament.

Jorge B. Vargas is chairman of the committee, and the other committee members are J. E. Tuason, Johnny Cuadrado, "Dindo" Gonzalez, W. J. Wen, Beny Gaberman, Benito Prieto and Eulogio Rodriguez, Jr.

The Wack Wack course will be open to all for practice for the Open starting January 10.

The amateurs will be required to play 36 holes of qualifying play, and the first 32 contestants, turning in the best scores in the 36-hole qualifying round will qualify for the big tournament. The qualifying play is set for Jan. 10 and 11.

Amateurs residing outside the Philippines with less than a six handicap will be exempted from playing in the qualifying round. These foreign amateurs with a more than six handicap, however, may enter provided they qualify with the 32 best amateurs in the qualifying round.

## Negro Picked As Future Great Hurler

New York, Nov. 23.—It will take 10 years to prove it, but many baseball experts are claiming that Negro Don Newcombe will be the major leagues' next great pitching star.

He is certain to be a fine pitcher for Brooklyn," Dodger President Branch Rickey, and International League writers who have seen Newcombe hurl for Montreal this year agree heartily.

The 24-year-old lad from New Jersey had a record of 13 won and four lost for Montreal, including a no-hitter, a one-hitter and a three-hit game in succession.

But despite this record, Newcombe is still modest and is not demanding immediate transfer to the parent Dodgers.

"It's all right if I stay with the Royals for two or three years," he said. "I'm learning and improving at Montreal."

### SCHOOL TEAM

Don was born at Madison, N. J., and starred as a pitcher on his high school team at Elizabeth, N. J., where he now lives.

But the war stopped his athletic career, and he was forgotten when he came out of the Army.

An easy-going soul, he preferred to play checkers for the first weeks of his civilian life, but was willing to give some thought to the future.

"I think I'd like to play baseball," he told his checkers opponent one day.

"Fine," the friend said. "I know Mrs. Ella Manley who owns the Newark Eagles. We'll go see her when we finish this game."

Signed without seeing Newcombe then was 19, six feet, three inches tall, and weighed 185 pounds. Mrs. Manley signed him without seeing him pitch.

He made good with the Eagles, both in 1944 and 1945, and after Rickey broke the colour line with Jackie Robinson in 1945, Newcombe was signed for the Dodger farm at Newburgh, N. Y.

He won 30 and lost 10 in two years at Nassau, then went to Montreal.

Through August 29 he pitched 133 innings, allowed 128 hits, 64 runs and walked 76. He started 20 games and finished 10. Nine times he was a relief pitcher.

His best pitch is his fast ball, according to Montreal Manager Clay Hopper.—United Press.

### "HACK" WILSON DIES

Baltimore, Nov. 23.—Lewis "Hack" Wilson, 46, alltime National League home-run king, died today after a brief illness.

Wilson had suffered a fall in his home early in October and was hospitalized about a week then.

He had been living here since 1941 when he came to take a wartime job.

In recent months he was director of the City Park swimming pool. He hit 56 homers in 1930, only four short of Babe Ruth's alltime record.—United Press.

## KCC Cricket Teams

For their First Division League match against the Army at Sookumpoo on Saturday, the KCC will be represented by R. E. Leo (capt), E. C. Fincher, Capt. W. D. M. Webb, F. R. Zimmern, A. Zimmern, P. Smith, J. Barrow, N. Hart, Baker, M. J. Oliveira, J. H. Hewitt, C. E. Taylor, Umpire, C. J. Morrill; scorer, J. P. Robinson.

Players are requested to meet at the Star Ferry (Hongkong side) at 1.30 p.m.

The KCC 2nd XI is at home to the Army in a League match on Saturday. The KCC team will be S. Gray (capt), E. C. Fincher, V. C. Bond, D. G. White, E. Randall, V. H. White, G. R. Roselet, V. F. Seymour, R. Leigh, K. Adams, and S. C. Trueman. Reserves, E. Guet and F. E. Lawrence.

## West Indians' Tour

Peshawar, Nov. 23.—The North-West Frontier Province made a bad start to their two days' match against the West Indies here today, losing their first two wickets with only 35 runs scored and were all out before lunch for 66.—Reuter.

## Tour Of Sicily

Palermo, Nov. 23.—A team of cyclists from France and another from Switzerland were among the 85 riders who today started on the 1,071-kilometre tour of Sicily race, which ends here on November 28.—Reuter.

## St. George's Wins By Three Points

There was a big turnout for the annual match between the Golden members of the St. Andrew's and St. George's Societies, at Fanning last Sunday, 32-a-side playing. The result was in doubt till the very last four-ball was completed, incidentally almost in the dark.

St. George's Society were the winners by three points, the score being St. George's 34, St. Andrew's 31. Full details were:

St. Andrew's	St. George's
K. S. Kinghorn	G. G. Carter 14
D. S. Robb	D. A. O. Davies 1
F. D. Hunter	D. A. O. Davies 1
W. Shawan	J. K. P.
N. A. Brown	H. Collins 14
K. S. Robertson	E. D. Mitchell 1
J. Mackie	E. J. R. Mitchell 1
H. R. Cleland	W. J. Lissman 1
A. McCallan	L. Goldman 1
G. Stewart	J. L. C. Pearce 1
W. C. Robertson	G. C. Gauthier 1
R. S. Barry	A. Somerville 1
D. L. Prophet	H. H. Mundy 1
Stirling	F. G. Harrison 1
A. S. Adamson	E. E. Marden 1
T. B. Low	Smalley

St. Andrew's	St. George's
G. B. S.	J. Linaker 1
Thornhill	A. D. Humphreys 1
J. Selby	L. Jackson 14
W. A. Stewart	R. Mac
R. Mac	W. S. Vaughan 1
J. Kitchan	A. Mabb 14
J. Forbes	J. M. Martinson 1
J. L. MacIntyre	E. W. Groves 1
D. L. MacIntyre	E. C. Frederick 1
G. A. Leclair	E. C. Frederick 1
K. A. Miller	J. G. Ferguson 1
D. L. MacIntyre	J. R. Collis 1
W. H. Patterson	F. J. Galt 1
J. B. Kite	W. J. Dyer 1
A. McRide	E. F. Streatfield 1
T. D. Drysdale	E. F. Streatfield 1

St. Andrew's	St. George's
Kinghorn Robb	Carter Davies 2
Hunter Shawan	Lissman 2
MacIntyre	Collings 1
Mackie Cleland	Mitchell, Davies 1
Gordon, Mc	Goldman Pearce 2
Stirling	Lyall 1
Robertson	G. C. Gauthier 2
Darry Prophet	S. Mundy 1
Mackiehan	Mabb Vaughan 1
Low Thompson	Smalley Linaker 1
Selby Stewart	Smalley Jackson 1
Stirling	Harrison Marden 2
Adamson	MacIntyre Craig 2
MacIntyre Craig	Groves 1
Leiper Miller	Frederick Lowe 1
Kerran Patterson	Collis Ferguson 2
Kite Marden	Pringle Allen 1
Drysdale	Dyer 2
	Streatfield 2

Total Singles	14
Total	34

Stewart	—	Lydall
Robertson		Catherley
Garry Prophet	1	S. Munro
Mackie		Mundy
Mackie	—	Mackie



# FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

## SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"This ought to be my last fight for a while, Mom—all the boys in kindergarten are my friends now!"

## McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Bridge Arguments Are Half the Fun

♠ A J 10 9 7 4	♠ 6 5	♠ Q 8 7 6
♥ K 7 6 3	♥ 10 9	♥ Q 8 7 6
♦ A 10 9 8 5 4	♦ K 6 3	♦ Q 8 7 6
♣ K 9 8 6	♣ 10 9	♣ Q 8 7 6
♠ A 10 9 7 4	♠ 6 5	♠ Q 8 7 6
♥ K 7 6 3	♥ 10 9	♥ Q 8 7 6
♦ A 10 9 8 5 4	♦ K 6 3	♦ Q 8 7 6
♣ K 9 8 6	♣ 10 9	♣ Q 8 7 6

BY WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

DO you get into arguments at the bridge table? If you do not, you do not really enjoy the game. That is part of the fun of the game, and, as I have often said before, an argument at the bridge table is better than an argument about the game. It is better to argue about the five of spades or the deuce of clubs than about some of the "more important" things in life.

Whenever I hear a bridge argument, I slide over and kibitz, because there is often a good point involved. The real cause of the argument between North and South on today's hand was probably the fact that they had not arrived at a four spade contract.

Against the four heart contract, which South doubled, South opened the deuce of spades, a normal opening from an honour when partner has bid the suit. Dummy put on the queen and North won. He did not bother to return a spade, but led back the three of diamonds. South won with the ace, cashed the king of spades and led a small diamond which declarer ruffed. East then picked up the trumps and conceded the ace of clubs—down one, and the argument was on!

South claimed that North should have returned a spade, then South would have cashed the ace of clubs, found out that his partner was void of clubs and given him a club to ruff. A diamond could have been led back and South would give North another club to ruff.

But North argued that when he had not returned a spade, and did not lead the club suit, South had bid him, leading a diamond instead. South should have known that he had no clubs to lead. If South had led the ace of clubs before cashing the king of spades, then given his partner a club ruff, and if North had put him back in with the king of

## DUMB BELLS

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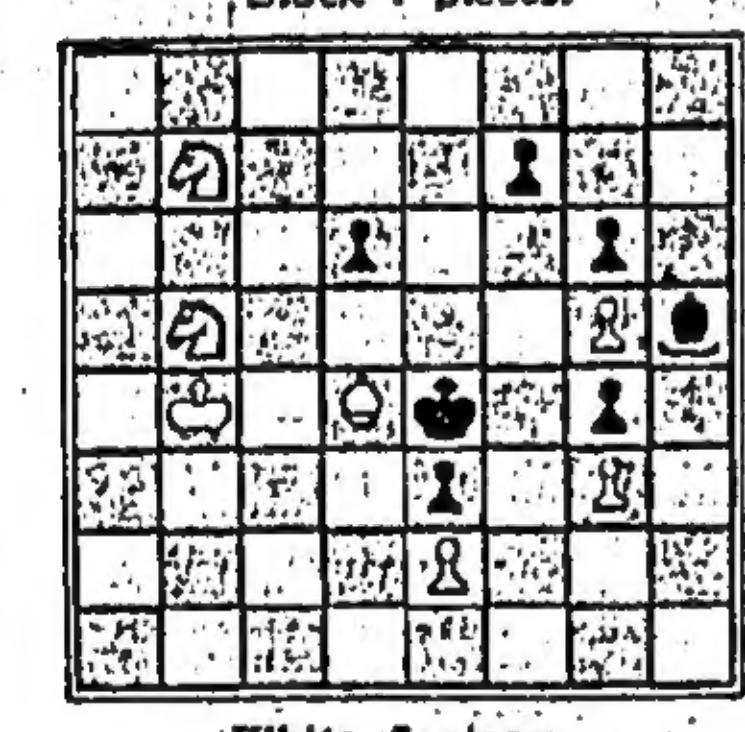


## Check Your Knowledge

1. What is the date of the first recorded use of an anesthetic in surgery?
2. What do the kangaroos of Australia and the opossum of North America have in common?
3. Name the principal languages spoken in South Africa.
4. How long has archery been practised?
5. For how long a term is the poet laureate of England appointed?
6. In what season of the year do salmon return from the ocean to fresh water streams?

## CHESS PROBLEM

By A. W. GALITZKY  
Black 7 pieces.



White: 7 pieces

White to play and mate in three.

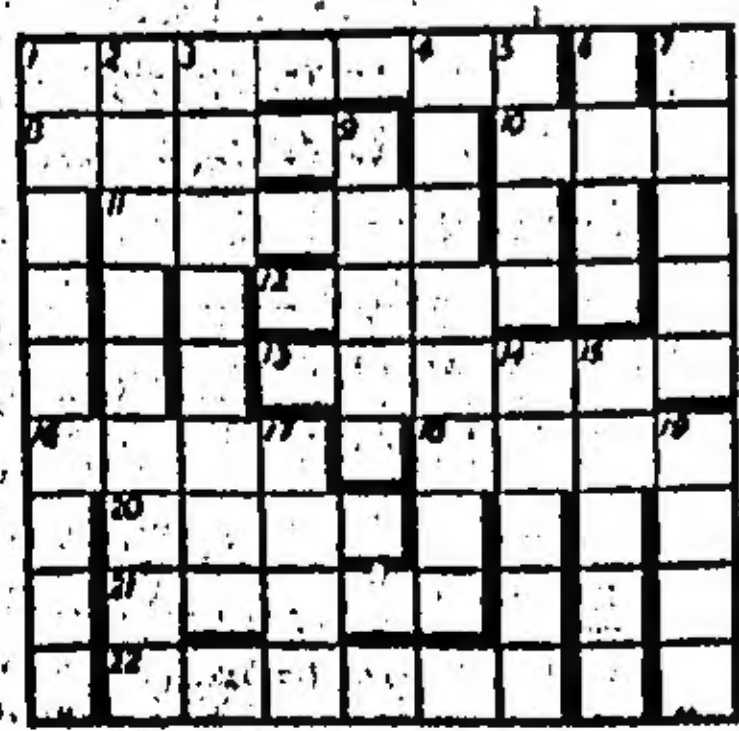
Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. B-R7, any, 2. B, or Kt mates.

spades and he had given North another club ruff, the contract would have been set three tricks, 800 points. That would have been more profitable than making four spades on the hand.

Both sides had a fair argument, but just so that you can enter into it, I am going to side in with North.

## CROSSWORD



1. When one is posted it may contain many or one.
2. A small bird.
3. A small bird.
4. A small bird.
5. A small bird.
6. A small bird.
7. A small bird.
8. A small bird.
9. A small bird.
10. A small bird.
11. A small bird.
12. A small bird.
13. A small bird.

EXCLUSIVE 'TELEGRAPH' FEATURE

## YOUR BIRTHDAY . . . . . By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

BORN today, you have tremendous physical energies coupled with a tenacity which too often borders on stubbornness for your own good. Once you get an idea into your head—good or bad—it stays until you have developed it to its normal end. Make certain, therefore, that you are doing the right things before you set your mind and energies.

You are fond of the luxuries of life and aspire to social heights. Don't make compromises, which you may regret later to attain temporary gains. Hold fast to your ideals, although the progress may be slower, the rise eventually will be much higher.

Your intellect governs your heart too much. You lack, somewhat, the affectionate nature which makes a person lovable and highly popular. Cultivate this if you are to acquire the social graces and a more permanent popularity.

Spring and autumn do not appear to be your best working time. Start a new project either in the winter of summer months and you will make faster progress. Select your marriage partner with great care, for in this choice much of your lifelong contentment or unhappiness will rest.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Your best judgment is needed when making decisions. Take care.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Definitely an unreliable day. Don't check all promises made. Don't take risks.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Make no important changes since the day is more adverse than favourable. Stick closely to routine.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Tact and diplomacy are both needed in handling even the smallest detail today. Postpone important matters.

**ARIES** (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Be cheerful and you can cope with almost anything. If ill, be careful to follow the given treatment carefully.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 21)—Confidence should increase during the afternoon hours when important affairs may be satisfactorily handled.

**GEMINI** (May 22-June 22)—You may make an agreement today or put some plan into action with excellent prospects of a fine success.

**CANCER** (June 23-July 23)—Best for you to postpone any major change and follow through on routine matters only. Be patient.

**LEO** (July 24-Aug. 23)—A fine day for putting an agreement or contract into writing. See that you get the best possible terms, too.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—A fairly good day if you avoid extravagance or overexpansion. Be thrifty today and you'll be wise.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—A fair day for business but better for all social contacts. Deal with the public advantageously.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Play a waiting game and concentrate on established projects now. Postpone anything new.

## MIDWEEK BOOK PARADE

## PARADISE LOST . . . AS TOLD BY FORESTER

By DANIEL GEORGE

GOOD storytellers (they are not necessarily the best novelists) always have been and always will be rare. When, once or twice in a generation, conspicuous creative ability is accompanied by skill and force in narration, a writer like C. S. Forester is produced.

As a yarn-spinner, he displayed his virtuosity in the Hornblower series. On occasions when all his talents combine to work harmoniously, as in "The General" or in "THE SKY AND THE FOREST" (Michael Joseph, 8s. 6d.), he is a novelist of the first class—his first class, a very small class, having no connection with that illimitable parade, "the front rank of living novelists."

In the simplest terms, "The Sky and the Forest" is the story of a noble savage—noble, that is to say, from the savage point of view, which is the one Mr. Forester undeviatingly takes. Lo, his hero, dwelt in nineteenth-century darkness, Africa, ruling his 700 people not only a king, but as a god, brother of the deific sun, moon, and sky.

Into this paradise came Arab slave-hunters. With most of his subjects, Lo is driven in a chain-gang towards lifelong captivity. The catastrophe is beyond him.

But, rescued by his favourite wife and son, and undergoing unprecedented hardships on their

L.S.V. From America

American fiction readily sorts itself out into the largest category, the popular novel manufactured for the L.S.V. formula. L.S.V. stands for Liquor, Sex and Violence.

Though treated with a new proprietorial air by Americans, these ingredients have been seen long service that our own novelists are shy of calling them up again. Few serious writers in Britain would care to offer us a book like "THE WINTER" by Merle Miller (John Lehmann, 10s. 6d.), a story of demobilised conventional types—the cynical, omniscient author, the spoiled rich man's son, the suffering Semite—told by one of them.

It begins in the frank and simple fashion of modern American prose: "We all drank too much that winter." It ends: "I had to get it all down, the way it was . . . the winter we got home."

## Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.01, "The Count of Monte Cristo" by Alexandre Dumas (H.K.T.) Episode 12, "The end of the story." 6.30, "Serenade to the Stars" (H.K.T.); 6.45, "Grieg's Lyric Suite." 7.00, "London Philharmonic Orchestra." 7.15, "Songs by Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy." 7.30, "Much Binding in the Marsh" (H.K.T.); 7.45, "From the Editorials" (London Daily News); 8.15, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 8.30, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 8.45, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 9.00, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 9.15, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 9.30, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 9.45, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 10.00, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 10.15, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 10.30, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 10.45, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 11.00, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 11.15, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 11.30, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 11.45, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 12.00, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 12.15, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 12.30, "The World of the Future" (Radio); 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# SHARP CRITICISM OF BIZONIA POLICY

## Wasting US Taxpayer's Money

Washington, Nov. 23.—It was revealed today that the Congressional watchdog committee on foreign aid was weighing a confidential report charging that the British and French policies in Western Germany were "wasting American taxpayers' money."

The report was prepared by the staff of experts of the Committee. Its criticism of the United States' and Allied actions in Germany may have repercussions when the Senate-House group meets on December 2 to make recommendations on future handling of the entire European Recovery Programme.

The chief complaint in the report is that American officials have failed to assume a "dominant voice" in the economic affairs of "Bizonia", the merged British and American occupation zones. It says the United States is entitled to final authority because it is paying the bulk of the occupation bill.

The report also criticises the failure of the three powers to "integrate" the French Zone with the other two Western occupation areas. It asserts that France has been drawing off the resources of its zone for French domestic use while the United States has been pumping funds into the French Zone to speed its economic recovery.

### BRITISH METHODS RESENTED

British officials in Bizonia were said to be administering industries of the Ruhr Valley in a way intended to "facilitate nationalisation" of the iron and steel works, which Britain favours and the United States opposes.

The report also criticises what it calls the failure of the Western powers to revise the German plant dismantling and reparations programme to conform with European recovery needs.

In this connection, the report said, "An all-out effort to reactivate German industry comes into conflict with large-scale dismantling of plants for reparations and with the policy of exporting German coal to liberated countries of Europe while German factories are idle for lack of coal."

While holding that there were several big problems that seemed to involve wasting of American taxpayers' money, the report levelled its sharpest criticism—at the continued authority exercised by Britain in Bizonia's economic life, particularly the Ruhr industrial heartland.

"This division of responsibility and control is accentuated by the fact that United States and British interests do not coincide in important respects."

In conclusion, the report states: "The basic situation in Germany looks favourable to the Berlin crisis has not demoralised the German people. The people are not starving. The wheels of industry are beginning to roll. The German workman and the German businessman are doing their best to make money."—United Press.

### First Woman Lord Mayor Dies

Norwich, Nov. 23.—Miss Ethel Mary Colman, who became the first woman lord mayor in England when she accepted the lord mayorship of Norwich 25 years ago, died today at her home, Currow Abbey, Norwich. Miss Colman was the eldest surviving daughter of the late Mr J. Colman of the mustard firm, who served Norwich as Alderman, Magistrate, Sheriff, Mayor and M.P.—Reuter.

## Queuille & De Gasperi Reach "Complete Unanimity"

Paris, Nov. 23.—The French Foreign Office announced tonight that the French Prime Minister, M. Henri Queuille, and the Italian Premier, Signor Alcide de Gasperi, today reached "complete unanimity of views" in their talks on questions affecting both Governments.

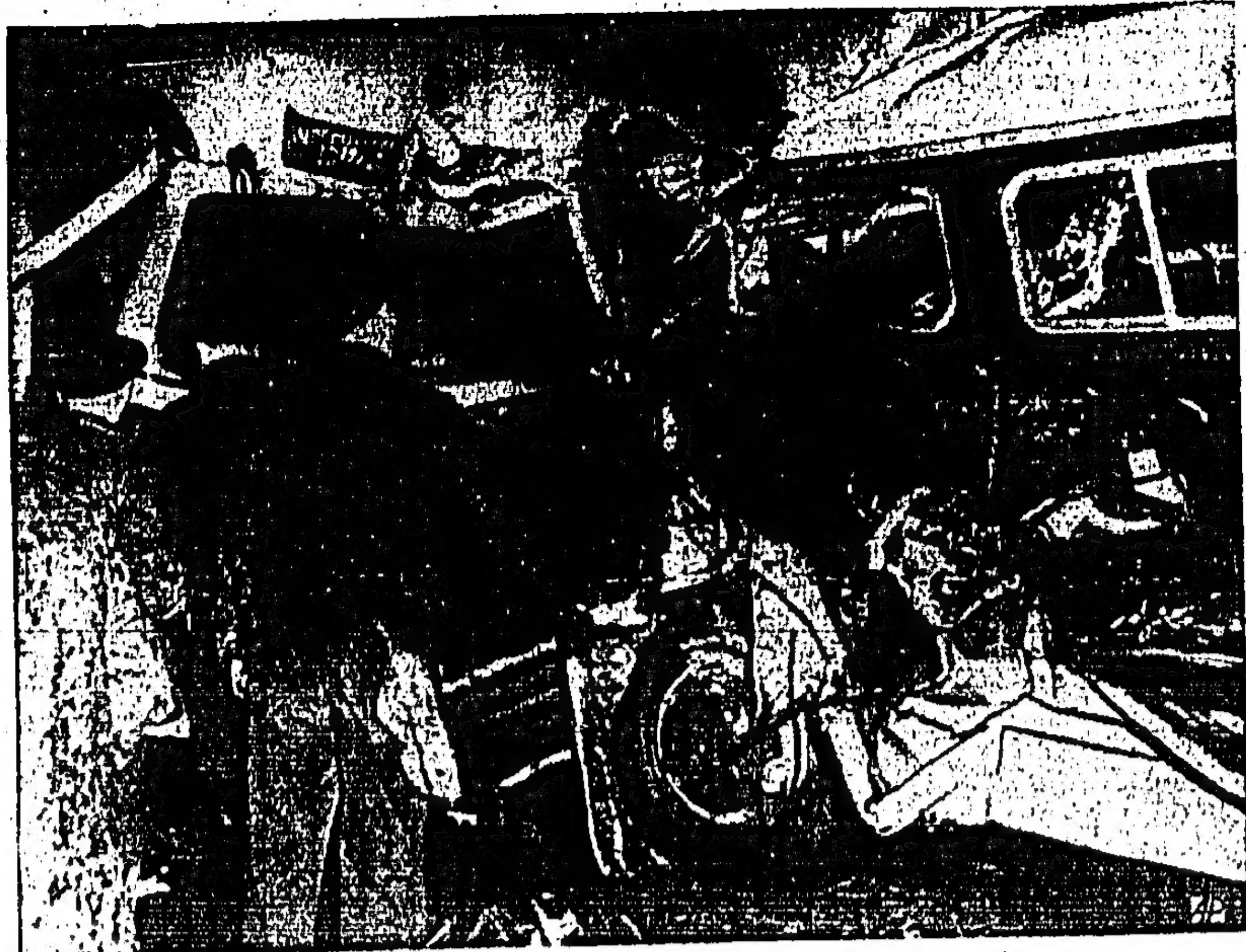
A spokesman said just before Signor de Gasperi left for Rome that the talks were confined to general issues as no Italian experts were present.

The French Minister of the Interior, M. Jules Moch, and the Minister for Defence, M. Paul Ramadier, attended. Among the subjects which came up for discussion were:

- 1.—The Italian colonies.
- 2.—The projected Franco-Italian customs union.
- 3.—The admission of Italy to the United Nations.

The French spokesman said he had no information whether the question of Italy's admission to the Western Union was raised.

The Italian Premier told journa-



Wreckage of a Toronto, Ont., tram and bus that took lives of seven persons and injured 65. The collision, the worst in the city's history, happened during bad weather in the early morning hours.—AP Picture.

## British Engineer Beaten On Head With A Rubber Truncheon

Paris, Nov. 23.—Mr Frederick Sylvester, a British engineer of the Jerusalem Electric Corporation, who was freed by the Israeli Supreme Court after being sentenced to seven years' imprisonment for "broadcasting information useful to Israeli's enemies," arrived at Le Bourget airport today from Palestine.

Shivering in the wintry European weather, Mr Sylvester arrived without an overcoat and with his only luggage—a spare shirt—wrapped in a brown paper parcel.

## JAP GENERAL A HOSTILE WITNESS

Manila, Nov. 24.—Ex-Maj. Gen Osamu Kawashima, first prosecution witness in the war crimes trial of ex-Lt. Gen. Shizuo Yokoyama was declared hostile by the War Crimes Commission during his evidence yesterday and the prosecution is now proceeding with presentation of other witnesses.

On questioning by the defence, Kawashima reiterated that assignment of units of one branch of the Japanese armed forces to the killing did not make the commanding officer responsible for their discipline. Kawashima's statement tended to advance the defence case.

Yokoyama is charged with command responsibility for the killing and torture of about 50,000 Filipinos in the Manila area and Southern Luzon.

The prosecution asked the Commission to take notice of Kawashima's hostility and the Commission declared the witness hostile. The prosecution then presented four witnesses who were either victims of Japanese atrocities or eyewitnesses to murders in the Manila area in 1945.—United Press.

### DROUGHT IN SPAIN

Madrid, Nov. 23.—The lack of rainfall in Spain now has reached the proportions of a severe drought which is having a "paralyzing" effect on the national economy, a meteorological expert reported on Monday. There is little hope of relief before January.—Associated Press.

## CAN KEEP HIS CARPET LOOMS

Bracknell, Berkshire, Nov. 23.—The Ministry of Health has decided that a Berkshire disabled ex-serviceman, who was told by the local Council to remove two carpet looms from his hut, shall be allowed to keep them.

Ex-serviceman Stanley Kitchener Romeril, of Bracknell, was told that by working on looms he was infringing his housing agreement and that the looms had to be removed.

After protests the Council referred the matter to the Ministry and today Romeril received a letter from the Council stating that in view of the special circumstances the Ministry raised no objection to part of his hut being used for rug making.—Reuter.

### Denmark To Buy Jet Fighter Planes

Copenhagen, Nov. 23.—It was learned tonight that Denmark is to buy 35 jet fighters from Britain as part of the 100 million kroner rearmament programme.

Britain has promised the delivery of the first five planes by March 1949, a further 15 before next summer and the remainder before the end of next year.—Reuter.

## 7 Die In Bus Wreck

## Compromise Rejected

New York, Nov. 23.—Hope for settlement of the East Coast shipping tieup remained dim today as leaders of striking longshoremen rejected a compromise proposal providing for a long-sought waterfront welfare fund.

Union negotiators turned down the employers' proposal last night saying it was "too vague" and was no better than the offer previously rejected.

Negotiators for both sides were scheduled to meet separately again today preparatory to seeking new peace formulas. The strike has been in effect for 14 days.—Associated Press.

## Rail And Air Express Embargo

New York, Nov. 23.—The Railway Express Agency today put an embargo on rail and air express into New York City, where shipping and bus strikes already have disrupted commerce.

The Express Agency said the embargo was necessary because of the slowdown campaign of terminal employees. The slowdown campaign began last Friday after 14 employees were fired for giving false information on their employment applications. The employees involved were members of the AFL Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employees, the Express Agency said.

The embargo, which is effective today, cut off all railway express shipments into and out of New York City, except for certain carload lots according to the Agency's announcement.

### THOUSANDS OUT OF WORK

The embargo put between 8,000 and 10,000 terminal employees out of work. A spokesman for the Railway Express Agency said it handled about 200,000 shipments from New York daily, including clothes, household appliances, machinery and perishable goods.

Meanwhile, Joseph Ryan, president of the striking AFL International Longshoremen's Association, said Halifax dock workers had notified him they would refuse to handle cargoes on ships redirected to that port.

Federal mediators, however, were optimistic about chances for early settlement of the walkout which has tied up shipping from Maine to Virginia.—United Press.

### Soviet Miners' Funds For French Strikers

London, Nov. 23.—The Moscow Radio announced on Monday Russian miners have contributed 1,000,000 rubles to support striking French coal miners.

Jules Moch, French Minister of Interior, has charged the coal strike was instigated and financed by Russia through the Communist International Information Bureau (Cominform).—Associated Press.

## German Uranium Miners Fleeing From The Soviet Zone

Hamburg, Nov. 23.—A 22-year-old German girl who worked for a year in Russian-operated German uranium mines reported today that large numbers of the miners are fleeing to western Germany. Christina Peter, who volunteered for low-grade uranium mining in Saxony, said she estimated more than 100,000 Germans are at work in the mines.

Food, liquor and cigarettes are fairly plentiful but the Communists are continually trying to convince workers to join the party, she said. Christina said she could not estimate the number of workers who actually reach the west, but that the number escaping every day was large.

Russian troops cordon the entire area, she said.

A German-speaking Russian officer trained her and other German girls on Russian-built listening instruments. The instrument, she said, had two large earphones and a metal stick on which a strainer-like lead head was fastened. Earphone and metal stick were connected with a battery which was carried on a belt around the shoulder.

Before she was sent into the mine, she had to work with a group of Russian and German technicians equipped with divining rods and all kinds of other instruments to comb the surface.

Whenever her earphone reacted with a bell-like sound she had to report to the next Russian, who marked the place and ordered a Russian technician to go through the test again.

### FORCED LABOUR CAMPS

After that job she was sent underground into a primitively constructed mine. Her job was to test all ore and rocks coming out of the tunnels for radium or uranium. Uranium, she said, was easily recognised by a violet-coloured stripe going through the stones.

All the labour is not voluntary. An 18-year-old German youth who escaped estimated that between 30,000 and 50,000 persons are in Soviet forced labour camps in Saxony.

One eye swollen and black from a tussle with would-be captors and still wearing the rubberised clothing and boots issued to him when he went to work in the uranium mines, Gerhard Rieffenthal described squalid, unhealthy conditions in the labour camps.

A blond, six-foot, handsome youth, Rieffenthal now is virtually a human skeleton. He said he had lost 35 pounds during his two months of forced labour for the Russians.

The miners live in barracks, small camps and among the German populace, the youth said. He stayed in a room with 10 other men. Although they were unguarded, they were warned not to try to leave. The entire area is blocked off, with guards on all railroad stations and roads.

The miners are fairly well paid. Rieffenthal said: "He received 400 marks per month, which is \$33 at the official rate of exchange or, about \$10 at the more realistic black market rate."

Food rations were supposedly somewhat higher than in Berlin, but only in theory. The penalty for being late to work was a 50 percent cut in rations, and since the mines were far from the barracks and the transport system so poorly organised, few workers were ever on time.—United Press.

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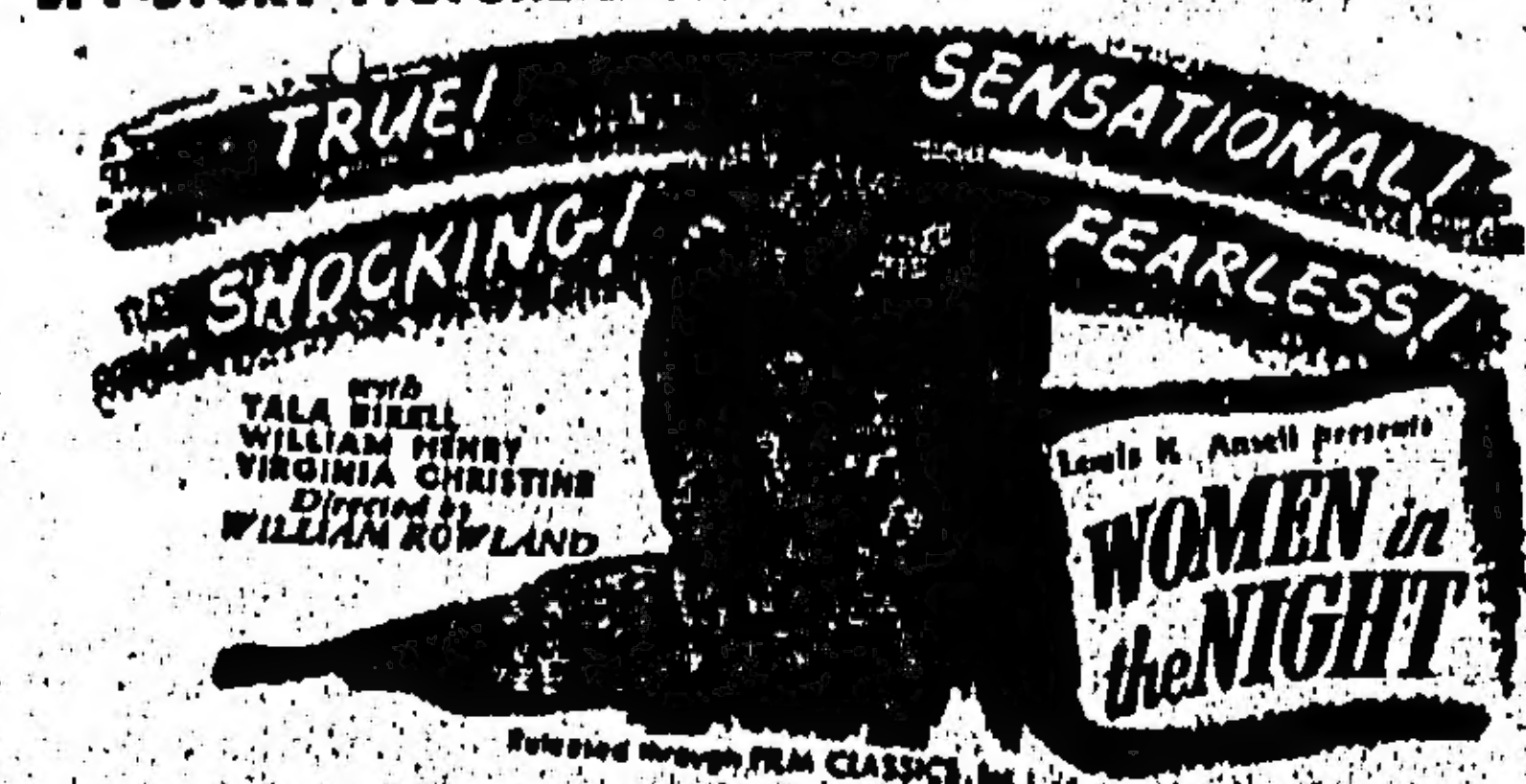
Moscow, Nov. 23.—The Press Attache at the Norwegian Embassy in Moscow, M. Rolse, died in hospital here today after having been found shot yesterday morning.

The Norwegian Embassy in London told Reuter that M. Gunnar Rolse worked in the Norwegian Government offices in London during the war. M. Rolse was a journalist who had travelled in Russia and the East before his appointment to Moscow as Cultural and Press Attache.—Reuter.

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